Today's Weather. Rain.

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NEWS SUMMARY

THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.

The Port Arthur besiegers occupied Taliuchiatun on Saturday. It is officially announced at Tokyo that all of the Russian advanced positions in front of the Japanese right have fallen.—Page 1.

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President Roosevelt will begin the contest for a regulation of rates on interstate commerce as soon as congress convenes.—Page 1.

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Senator Fairbanks passed through this city at 2:30 this morning and denied that he was dead. A rumor to this effect startled the entire country this morning.—Page 1.

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Batting averages of well-known players on independent circuit.—Page 9.

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THE WEATHER

Rain.

Rain and colder weather is predicted for today and tomorrow by the Washington observer for Pittsburgh and vicinity. The maximum temperature yesterday was 44 and the minimum 31 degrees. The sun rose cloudy at 7:44 and set cloudy at 4:58 o'clock yesterday. The daily report, as furnished by the local weather bureau, follows:

Time.	Baro.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m....	30.06	37	86	N.E.	Lt. Rain.
8 p. m....	30.12	39	92	N.E.	Lt. Rain.

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 25:

	1904	1903		1904	1903
Maximum ...	44	40	Mean	38	34
Minimum ...	31	27	Precipitation ...	.53	.02
Nor. tem. 31 yrs.		35	Nor. precip. 31 yrs.		.10
Excess for day		3	Excess for day		.43
Defy. since Dec. 1		147	Defcy since Dec. 1.		59
Defy. since Jan. 1		655	Defcy. since Jan. 1.		3.07

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25.—Forecast: Western Pennsylvania—Rain Monday and Tuesday; much colder in southern portion Tuesday; light variable winds.

Ohio—Snow in north, rain in southern portions Monday; Tuesday, rain or snow; much colder in central and southern portions; fresh northeast and east winds.

West Virginia—Rain Monday and Tuesday; much colder Tuesday.

Observations taken at local weather stations at 8 p. m.:

Louisville ...	50 Clear	Chicago	30 Cloudy
Jacksonville	64 Clear	St. Louis....	38 Rain
St. Paul....	26 Cloudy	Salt Lake....	24 Pt.Cldy
Duluth	22 Snow	San Antonio.	66 Cloudy
Washing'n	26 Cloudy	Little Rock.	66 Cloudy
Philadelp'a	24 Cloudy	Cairo	48 Cloudy
New York.	24 Snow	Memphis	56 Pt.Cldy
Omaha	32 Rain	Vicksburg ...	68 Cloudy
Des Moines	30 Cloudy	Denver	32 Cloudy
Indianap's	44 Cloudy	Santa Fe....	28 Snow
Cincinnati	42 Cloudy	New Orleans	68 Clear
Parkersb'g	50 Cloudy		

Children will take Piso's Cure without objection, because its taste is pleasant.

Proverb Problem No. 16

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Enter Contest at Once. Back Numbers Can Be Supplied. See Second Page.

JAPANESE TAKE NEW POSITIONS

Russian Fortifications on Right Wing Captured at Port Arthur.

TOKYO A WAR CAMP

Half Million Men Being Mobolized for Oyama and to Defend Formosa.

NO RETREAT SAYS KUROPATKIN

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

TOKYO, Dec. 25.—The following report was received from the besiegers at Port Arthur this morning:

"A body of our right wing surprised the enemy at Houseanytung and Sioafantun (the latter about six and a half miles northwest of Port Arthur), at 10 o'clock Saturday night and occupied the villages, and, subsequently dislodging the enemy, occupied the whole of Taliuchiatun (about five miles northwest of Port Arthur), at 2:55 o'clock this morning. Our repeated attacks during the past few days were uniformly successful, and now the whole of the enemy's advanced positions fronting our right wing is in our hands."

Tokyo is again a great military camp, and the scenes of last spring, when the first armies were mobilized and dispatched, are being duplicated. Drilling, etc., proceeds and the preparations are on an enormous scale. It is planned to give Field Marshal Oyama a rough total of half a million men, with a heavily increased artillery arm, besides providing a defense for Formosa and the southern islands, in anticipation of the Russian second Pacific squadron's attempt to seize a base. The port of Kelung, in Formosa, has been declared in a state of siege, and other positions in Formosa and the Pescadores are progressing. Winter is not interfering with the Japanese transport service. The railway between Dalny and Yental is working well, and the time between Tokyo and Liao-Yang is six days.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—Gen. Kuropatkin reports skirmishing December 24 near Tapinlin. The Russian advance posts were driven in by the Japanese, but afterward advanced again and occupied their former position. The Russian losses were trifling, while those of the Japanese were heavy.

MUKDEN, Dec. 25.—Gen. Kuropatkin, addressing the troops today, said: "You must never allow yourselves to retreat. Even in the case of the smallest detachment having once formed a plan, it must be carried out to the end."

A Japanese battery opened fire December 24 on Chanlinpu and two men were wounded by shells. A Japanese column advanced, but was soon driven back by the Russian fire. The general situation is quiet, although Chinese report that the Japanese are strengthening their left flank, as though in contemplation of a turning movement. On the other hand, the Japanese in many places apparently are building winter quarters.

MR. FAIRBANKS SAYS HE IS NOT DEAD

From Pullman Stateroom, at the Union Station, He Denies Rumor.

Vice President-Elect Charles W. Fairbanks opened his drawing room door in a Pullman car on Pennsylvania train No. 21, after a vigorous pounding upon the door, at 2:30 o'clock this morning and, sitting on the edge of his bed in his night robe, firmly denied the rumor that he was dead.

Shortly after 1 o'clock in the morning the Associated Press sent a bulletin throughout the country to the effect that the vice president had suddenly died in the train near Altoona while accompanying his wife to their Indianapolis home to spend New Year's day.

As the vice president-elect opened the door of his drawing room the last effects of a restful sleep were visibly passing from his eyes and as he beheld a number of reporters, he showed his early newspaper training by succeeding in putting the first question:

"What is this—Pittsburgh?"

He was informed that it was and also notified that he had been heralded as a corpse.

"I don't see who could be so ingenious to circulate a rumor such as that," he answered, gathering a few folds of his elongated night robe about him. Mrs. Fairbanks, beside him, seemed much agitated at such a report having been circulated.

In answer to several questions, Mr. Fairbanks stated that during no stage of the journey had he felt at all ill, and could conceive no cause for the report of his death being circulated.

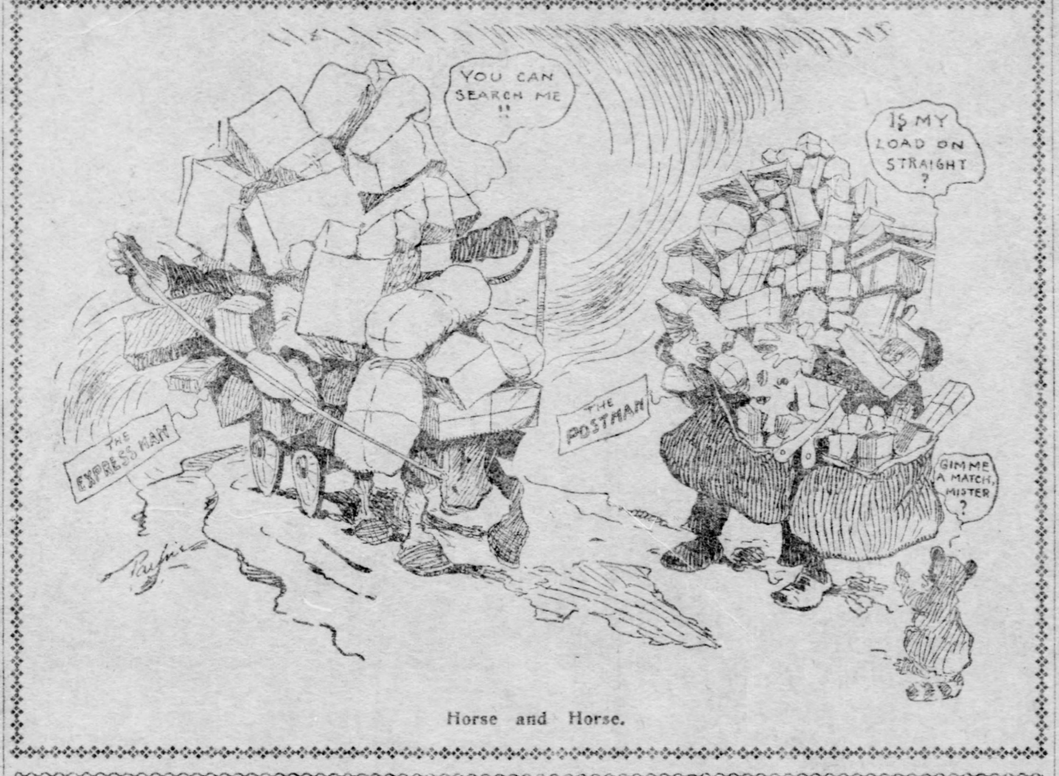
"I am going to Indianapolis and have every reason to believe I shall reach there alive," he concluded.

PURCHASED FOR $1,000,000.

H. C. Frick Coke Company Buys the Crossland Plant and Coal Land.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The report of the purchase of more than 1,000 acres of Connellsville coal land from J. V. Thompson, the Uniontown banker, by the H. C. Frick Coke Company, is confirmed. The land lies in North and South Union townships, near Uniontown. The deal includes 63 acres in the Klondyke region and 100 ovens, known as the Crossland plant, and all buildings and equipment. The ovens are located near Uniontown.

The price is not positively known, but it is said to be in the neighborhood of $1,000,000. The company, it is understood, will not develop the land for years.



Horse and Horse.

ODELL MAY TURN TOWARD DEPEW

President Roosevelt Informed That the Senator Will Be Re-Elected.

CHANCES INJURED BY PLATT

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau. Room 10, Postal Building. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25.

When E. H. Harriman was last in Washington, not long ago, he called on the president and the senatorship came up for discussion.

"What is the latest news about the senatorship in New York?" asked the president of Mr. Harriman.

"The next senator from New York," Mr. Harriman is reported to have said to the president, "will be Chauncey M. Depew. At least that is what Gov. Odell has told me. He says that Depew will be elected."

Since then the president has assumed that all the maneuvering between Gov. Odell and Senator Platt is personal and that in the end matters will be so manipulated that Mr. Depew will be re-elected.

This incident caused no end of gossip among the New York members of congress. They do not know what to make of it. Some of them never believed that Gov. Odell intended to defeat Senator Depew. They have rather inclined to the belief that if Odell and Depew could come to terms the governor would much rather have Depew than Black. They are also convinced that when the time comes the governor, having in some way made it apparent that he is the real power in the legislature, will turn from Black to Depew, aid in the election of Depew and claim that he never intended doing anything else.

It can also be stated that the president has been informed by several persons who have carefully gone over the New York situation, that there would be no question of the election of Mr. Depew but for the manner in which Senator Platt has endeavored to make him the candidate of his faction.

WILL BE COUNTESS TODAY.

Miss Daisy Leiter Will Wed the Earl of Suffolk at Washington Home of Her Mother.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Tomorrow at noon Miss Daisy Leiter will become the countess of Suffolk and Berkshire. All of those bidden to the wedding have arrived in Washington except Lionel Gust, but he may be here tomorrow in time for the ceremony, which is to take place at the Leiter mansion, Dupont Circle, the celebration to be by the Rev. Dr. Roland Cotton Smith, rector of St. John's church.

It is said that Maj. and Mrs. Campbell, the earl and the countess of Suffolk and all of the visitors will sail on Wednesday from New York for England, and that Mrs. Leiter and Joseph Leiter will, in a day or two after that, go to Chicago for the rest of the winter, at least.

GILLESPIE JURY SPENT CHRISTMAS AT A HOTEL

RISING SUN, IND., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The jurors of the Gillespie trial spent a very pleasant Christmas at the Hotel Searcy. They attended church services in a body in charge of their bailiff. James Gillespie was bounteously supplied with gifts from relatives and friends. He expresses himself as confident of an acquittal by the present jury.

LINES ARE DRAWN IN THE RATE WAR

The Administration and the Railroads Are Preparing for a Spirited Contest.

TO LAY SIEGE TO CONGRESS

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau. Room 10, Postal Building. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25.

President Roosevelt and those members of his administration interested in railroad rate legislation along the lines of his message have begun to realize that they have a big fight on their hands in attempting to accomplish anything at the present session of congress. They are preparing accordingly. So are the railroads.

The president has arranged his lines for a siege on congress as soon as it assembles next week. Secretary of the Navy Morton is taking the railroad side of the fight and urging important railroad men to join in the movement and assist in forming legislation. It must be related that he has not been very successful up to date. Attorney General Moody is attending to the legal features of the contest and together with the material furnished him by the president, Secretary Morton and Senator Elkins, is preparing the outline of a bill. The president will resume his conferences with leading members of both houses as soon as they return to Washington, and will at all times urge immediate action.

Meanwhile certain railroad influences have already been felt in both branches of congress and the plan of certain senate leaders to postpone legislation pending an investigation by a congressional commission, instead of being given up, is likely to be pushed harder than ever.

The railroads have been preparing quietly and unostentatiously for a hard campaign on the rate question. Officials of some of the great trunk lines have been writing to Washington significant letters; they have established a bureau of information and otherwise indicated that they would like to get their side of the case before the public. Some of the railroad men are inclined to accept Secretary Morton's invitation announced in his recent interview and assist in the settlement of the question. This on the firm belief that the president is determined in the matter and proposes sooner or later to have a new law. But a large majority of them, it is said, have held aloof while many of these are actively fighting the proposition.

It was thought that when Secretary Morton's plan was announced, which included legalized pooling together with government supervision of rates that the railroad presidents would at least fall in with this, but there has been a distinct disappointment in the administration over this phase of the case and the president is actively preparing his campaign on the supposition that there will be an almost united opposition among the railroads.

One senator said today that if the president persisted the coming fight would be one of the greatest seen in congress for years and that before it was over there would be a distinct alignment, with the railroad senators and representatives on the one side and the administration senators and representatives on the other. He has been watching the case very carefully since the president's message was delivered and predicted today that if the attempt was begun in the house the contest would be so fierce and prolonged there that no bill would reach the senate before March 4.

SEVEN KILLED IN COLLISION

Southern Railway Trains Crash Together, Operator Failing to Deliver Orders.

TEN PERSONS SLIGHTLY HURT

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 25.—The passenger train which left St. Louis at 9 o'clock last night on the Southern railway collided head-on with the passenger train leaving Louisville about the same hour near Mauds station, Ill., today. One passenger and six employes were killed and two passengers and eight employes were slightly injured.

THE DEAD:

CHARLES SCHMIDT, Centralia, Ill.
ENGINEER BOWEN, Princeton, Ind.
FIREMAN CHARLES HUTT, Princeton, Ind.
MAIL CLERK H. D. HOGAN Georgetown, Ind.
SECTION FOREMAN UNDERWOOD, Princeton, Ind.
EMPLOYE HENRY OSKIN, Tennyson, Ind.
EMPLOYE JOHN HUDSON.
CYRUS HUTCHINSON, section hand, East St. Louis, Ill.

The St. Louis-Louisville and St. Louis-Knoxville sleepers were drawn by both trains but none of the passengers in these four cars was injured. Both engines were badly damaged and four coaches destroyed. The collision occurred between Mount Carmel, Ill., and Princeton, Ind., and, according to the Southern railway officials, was caused by the failure of the operator at Browns, Ill., to deliver to the east-bound train an order naming a meeting point for the trains. All of the employes with the exception of the trainmen were in the combination baggage and smoking car.

A wrecking crew and relief party left Princeton, Ind., at once and began clearing the track and removing the dead and injured. The hardest task was to extinguish the flames which had broken out among the shattered engines and coaches. Water was carried in hats and raincoats and thrown on the flames by the passengers before relief arrived. Several cars were burned before the fire was extinguished. The chair cars and sleepers were not damaged.

JUSTICE DEAN SLAPS AT CHIEF JUSTICE MITCHELL

Intimates Latter Had No Right to Make Speech He Did in Philadelphia.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

ALTOONA, Dec. 25.—Justice John Dean of the state supreme court was interviewed at his home in Hollidaysburg this morning on the subject of Chief Justice Mitchell's address before the New England society in Philadelphia. The justice seemed to be displeased and his answers were short.

"Have you read Chief Justice Mitchell's speech?" he was asked.

"I have," he answered.

"Do you agree with what he says?"

"As I understand it, this government is composed, both state and national, of the legislative, executive and judicial departments. The judiciary expounds the laws, the legislative enacts and neither the legislative nor executive, president nor governor, has anything to do with their exposition. On all public and economic questions I have decided opinions as an individual, but I express them only at the ballot box. It is nobody else's business what they are. I positively decline to say anything further."

THREE ARE SHOT FROM AMBUSH

Two Youths Dead and Another Dying in Lincoln County, W. Va.

YOUNG GIRL UNHURT

Innocent Cause of Crime, Due to Love for Her, Marvelously Unscathed.

ALL RETURNING FROM CHURCH

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

HUNTINGTON, W. VA., Dec. 25.—Three men were assassinated in Lincoln county tonight from ambush while returning from church with a young lady, two being dead and one dying.

The dead:

LUCIAN LUCAS, aged 22.
IRA LUCAS, a brother, aged 20.

The dying:

OCTAVE ADKINS, aged 19; struck by two bullets, one of which entered his breast.

The crime was committed on the line of the Guyandotte Valley railroad, one mile south of Midkiff, about 25 miles from Huntington. The Lucas brothers and young Adkins, members of good families, had attended church at Midkiff. At the close of the service they started home along the railroad track, choosing it in preference to the muddy country road. With the young men, and accompanied by Lucian Lucas as escort, was Miss Mabel Williams, whose home is near that of the Lucas family. The four were passing through a lonely cut in the road, where the tracks are flanked by dense woods, when there was a sudden series of blinding flashes and the crack of rifles. The four were the target for a rain of bullets. Lucian Lucas, whose arm Miss Williams was holding, fell dead at her side, killed instantly. Ira Lucas dropped mortally wounded, and died in a few minutes. Adkins received two bullets, one entering his breast and the other piercing his right shoulder. By an apparent miracle, Miss Williams was unharmed. Left standing alone, with two dead men and one dying at her feet, the girl halted for a moment.

Girl Gave the Alarm.

Finally she turned and uttering screams of terror, rushed back toward the church until she met others who were also returning from the service. To them, in her fright, she told an incoherent story of what had happened.

They rushed to the scene and found Lucian Lucas lying almost directly across the track. His brother was a foot beyond him lying against the bank. In his hand was a revolver and two of its chambers were empty, indicating that when the assassins began shooting he pulled his gun and returned the fire. Adkins was 20 yards from Ira Lucas and he was the only one who manifested signs of life. The physicians say he will not regain consciousness. He had no revolver. A search of Lucian Lucas' body revealed the fact he had a pistol in his overcoat pocket, but every chamber was full and there were no indications that he had attempted to use it. The bodies of the Lucas boys as well as that of Adkins were removed to a farmhouse a quarter of a mile away. Miss Williams is a nervous wreck in consequence of the awful experience. She had frequent attacks of hysteria since the shooting and has several times swooned completely. Her condition is regarded as grave. During a few minutes of composure after the physicians had administered a sedative she gave the following account of the affair:

Shots Came Without Warning.

"Without a moment's warning we heard shots seemingly just above us on the hillside and the entire party stopped. The shots continued rapidly, there being seemingly a dozen or more of them. I clung to Mr. Lucas' arm almost frightened to death, and after he had fallen I turned and ran back down the track. I didn't see his brother Ira or Octave Adkins. In fact, I was so frightened that I did not think of them. I hated to leave poor Lucian there on the track dead, but I knew if I stayed with him I would be shot, too."

News of the tragedy spread quickly throughout the community, and inside of an hour nearly 150 armed men had gathered at the farmhouse and then started to run down the assassins.

There are several theories offered regarding the crime, but the one generally accepted is that the tragedy is the result of jealousy. It is well known that two other young men living near Midkiff are desperately in love with Miss Williams. Whether it was one of these who waylaid the party on the way from church, or whether it was robbers, who were afraid to finish their work when they heard Miss Williams' screams, remains to be determined. It is certain that even after Miss Williams had left the three lying on the track, nothing in the pockets of the victims was disturbed.

It was less than two weeks ago that the elder Lucas came near coming to blows with a rival for the hand of Miss Williams and at that time Lucas and his rival, it is said, each made ugly threats. It was this incident that caused the Lucas boys to go armed.

MISS HELEN GOULD MAKES ORPHANS HAPPY

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Miss Helen Gould had the inmates of Woody Crest, her home for orphan boys, hang up their stockings last night and when they awoke they found Santa Claus had been there. She also sent a stereopticon with a hundred slides so they can have nightly entertainments at the institution during the winter.

Mabel Spang Still at Sanitarium.

YONKERS, N. Y., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Miss Mabel Spang is still at Bond's sanitarium in this city. The directors of the institution would not permit her to be interviewed today regarding the agreement of her parents upon her release.

BARGE STAGE IS PREDICTED

Towboats Manned for the Southward Voyage Today.

NO DANGER OF ICE

Mines in the Monongahela Valley Will Resume When Empties Arrive.

5,000,000 BUSHELS COAL TO GO

Barge water in the Monongahela and Ohio rivers is expected to release a dozen towboats today with cargoes of 5,000,000 bushels of coal after their long imprisonment in the Pittsburgh harbor. Before the sun goes down tonight it is likely that the Valiant and the Josh Cook will cast off their moorings and start down the Ohio, forming the vanguard of the great fleet which is to relieve the fuel famine of the south.

Along the river from Morgantown to Louisville steamboat landings present animated scenes of preparation. Tows of empties will be brought up and soon the idle mines in the Monongahela valley will resume, giving employment to nearly 10,000 men.

Dreary skies brought a Christmas of good cheer to rivermen yesterday, as they watched the contrast of the black smoke from the stacks and the white clouds from the exhaust pipes mingling with the purple haze that hung over the stream.

Preparing for the Rise.

Glints of yellow light and the will-o-the-wisp dancing of the signal lanterns gave a spectacular effect, which was heightened by the constant roar of whistles and the grinding of the coaling machines. Reports from up-river points were eagerly sought and everything was placed in readiness to swing out the moment the stage of water and condition of the ice should warrant the hazard.

Every boat in the harbor was manned with a single crew, and over 100 men were hired during the afternoon. Others who lined the curb at Water street were told to be in readiness to take their posts. The wharf was lined with wagons hauling provisions and stores on board the tows. The boats were provided with fresh meat, ice, bread and vegetables. Each boat will take 12 days' provisions, this being the stock for a Louisville trip.

Ready to Start at Once.

In the harbor ready for instant sailing are the Iron Age, Exporter, Valiant, Sprague, Josh Cook, John A. Wood, Joe B. Williams, Tom Rees, Volunteer, Tornado, Ranger and Rival. In the pools are 10 boats with not less than 5,000,000 bushels of coal. These are ready to move their cargoes down as soon as the ice passes out.

Empties number 1,000 coal boats, barges and flats, and are expected to get enough water to move up as soon as the harbor boats get under way. The boats bringing empties to Pittsburgh are the O'Neil, Harry Brown and Sam Brown at Cincinnati, J. B. Finley at Middleport, Tom Dodsworth and Raymond Horner at Marietta, Ed Roberts and Pacific at Waverley, Jim Moren and Ironsides at Proctor, Charley Brown at Wheeling, Sam Clark at Steubenville, Coal City at Port Homer, Jim Wood at Georgetown and Sam Brown and Boaz at Freedom.

Long Period of Low Water.

This will be the first large stage since last July, the period of closed navigation being almost unprecedented. The wickets of the Davis Island dam were lowered yesterday and will be kept thus all winter. A stage approximating nine feet is looked for this afternoon by experienced rivermen. Last night the water passed the 4.5 foot mark. Reports from the headwaters were encouraging. The ice will give little trouble. There was a run of ice in the Allegheny, but it was carried out slowly on account of the sluggish current. Tomorrow afternoon it is expected that the biggest tows can pass out with safety.

Forecaster Frank Ridgway in the local weather bureau was not so sanguine yesterday of an early rise. On account of the holiday and the simultaneous observance of Sunday, the country telegraph offices were closed and reports were not forthcoming. Reports from the local rivers last night showed a slight rise, and the rivermen said that their dreams of barge water would be realized.

PASTOR'S BLOOD POISONED.

Took Place of Stereopticon Operator and Is Now in Serious Condition from a Scratch.

The Christmas entertainment at the Calvary Presbyterian church, Braddock, last Friday evening has resulted seriously for the Rev. Joseph F. Clokey, pastor of the church, who is suffering from blood poisoning at his home.

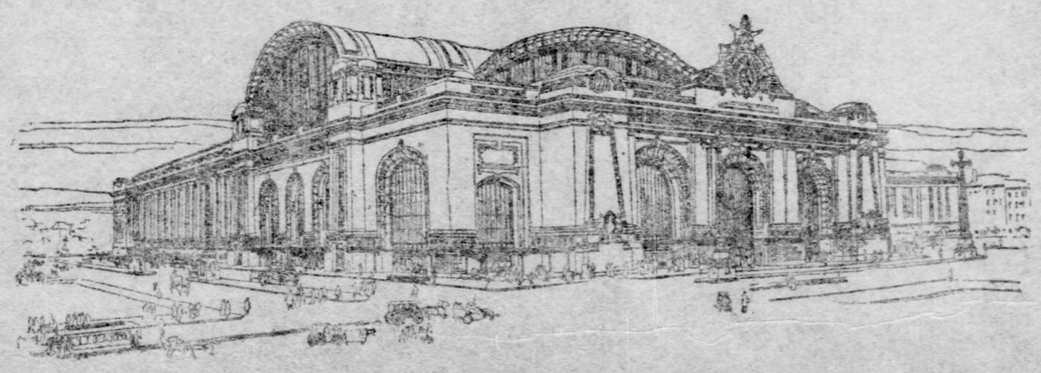
A feature of the entertainment was a stereopticon show. The operator of the machine became ill during the evening and the minister took his place. He chanced to scratch his finger on a piece of tin in the stereopticon. The wound was so slight that nothing was thought of it till the following day, when the arm began to swell. Dr. A. W. Schooley was summoned and he discovered that blood poisoning had developed from the scratch.

Mr. Clokey's condition was so serious yesterday that preaching services had to be abandoned.

WOMAN AGED 104 STAYS UP FOR FIVE O'CLOCK MASS

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Mary Shepard of this city celebrated her 104th birthday today, having been born in Ireland December 25, 1800. Mrs. Shepard sat up all last night in order to be in time for the 5 o'clock mass at St. Peter's church this morning. She walked several blocks to the church.

Proposed Manhattan Terminal of the New York Central Railroad



Plans have been completed for the rebuilding of the New York city terminal of the New York Central & Hudson River railroad at Forty-second street, New York. It will cover 19 city blocks; estimated cost of station proper $17,000,000 and $25,000,000 for terminal improvements. Figures on other large stations are: St. Louis union station, $6,000,000; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania railroad station, $8,000,000; Boston, union station, 540x725 feet, with terminal covering 65 acres; Buffalo, proposed new joint station for all railroads, to cost $15,000,000; Pennsylvania railroad's proposed station for New York covers four large city blocks; cost of building estimated at $17,000,000, terminal at $20,000,000.

SECRET OF ARMOR MAY BE DIVULGED

Developments Are Expected When the Navy Department Next Opens Bids.

ANOTHER CONTRACT IN VIEW

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU.
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25.

On January 12 bids will be opened at the navy department for 8,000 tons of armor plate for the battleship New Hampshire and the armored cruisers Montana and North Carolina. This letting will be watched with interest, for it will show whether the entrance of the Midvale Steel Company of Philadelphia into the armor field means a struggle between it and the Carnegie Steel Company and the Bethlehem Steel Company for government contracts in the future. It may also demonstrate whether the advent of a new competitor for armor contracts is to be followed by a material reduction in the price that the government has been paying.

In fact, many possibilities depend upon this contract, among them the casting aside of all the mysticism and secrecy that has heretofore surrounded the manufacture of armor and a rush of other steel manufacturers to get a slice of the business of building Uncle Sam's navy. There are many persons in this country who have wondered why a ton of steel in ingot form, worth approximately $40, after it is pressed, baked and shaped into an armor plate should have a value of $420, plus $31 royalty. With the letting of this next contract this secret may be solved.

Test Satisfied Navy Department.

Since 1890 there have been but two bidders on armor for the American navy. They were the Bethlehem Steel Company, which had supplied all the steel armor up to that time, and the Carnegie Steel Company of Pittsburgh. Last year a new competitor appeared in the form of the Midvale Steel Company of Philadelphia, and by bidding $53 a ton less on class A armor and $18 a ton less on class B armor than the other two companies, landed a contract for 6,180 tons. The Midvale company proceeded with the installation of an armor plant and now it is ready to begin deliveries in a short time, although it is not obliged to commence under its contract until the middle of next year.

Last week two plates manufactured by the Midvale company were tested at the Indian Head proving grounds at the request of the company. They were not plates intended for delivery, but were tested solely to demonstrate the quality of the armor. It is stated by officials of the navy department, who were present at this test, that the plates came up to all requirements of the government; that if they had represented a group of armor intended for use on the contract, the group would have been accepted.

Discovery is Important.

This test was one of the most important ever conducted by the government, though it was not an official one and was held for the benefit of the Midvale Steel Company. It proved that that company could manufacture armor that would meet the specifications of the navy department. The department confesses to no curiosity as to the method employed by the Midvale company in its manufacture of armor plates. Up to this time the steel manufacturers have known only of two methods by which armor could be face-hardened and retain the ballistic qualities required by the government. One is by the Krupp method, which is a secret process, for using which in this country the Bethlehem Steel Company and the Carnegie Steel Company pay the Krupp company a royalty of $31 a ton. The other is the Harvey process, which is patented, and which is also controlled in this country by these two companies, for which they pay a royalty of ¼ cent a pound. The amount of royalty is added to the contract price of the armor.

But in spite of these ramifications under which the two big armor-making companies rested, the Midvale company has entered the field and has begun the manufacture of armor that has been pronounced by the government experts equally good, and for which the manufacturers pay no royalty. The question is, how?

Krupp Secret May Be Out.

It has been rumored that the great Krupp secret is a secret no longer; that it has been betrayed by a man formerly employed at the Essen works and sold to the Midvale company. Another report is that the new armor is to be made by an entirely new process, recently discovered. This question the company has allowed to remain the subject of speculation. It has not even informed the navy department officials how the armor is to be made, and these officials say they do not care how it is made. It is enough for them that another competitor for armor contracts has come forward and has demonstrated that it can fill such contracts as it may receive. This would naturally mean not only a reduction in price, but what is equally important, a great increase in capacity.

If the present building program is adhered to by congress, the navy department will place contracts each year for armor to the value of $7,000,000 to $10,000,000. With this vast expenditure in sight it is likely that other steel manufacturers will consider the advisability of entering this line and going after a slice of this business. It would not surprise the ordnance bureau if more than three bidders should appear for the next lot of armor on January 12.

L. W. STRAYER.

UNION MEN LOCKED OUT AT A GLASS FACTORY

MARION, IND., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Bert White, superintendent of police, tonight instructed all patrolmen to be ready for riot calls tomorrow and thereafter and to be on extra duty during the week. The MacBeth-Evans Lamp Chimney factory, which has been employing 800 union men, has locked out the members of the union and will attempt to operate its plant with non-union men, beginning Tuesday. A trainload of non-union men will arrive here tomorrow.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived, December 25.

New York—St. Louis from Southampton, Plymouth and Cherbourg; Patricia from Hamburg, Dover and Boulogne; Princess Irene from Genoa and Naples (Nantucket).

Southampton—New York from New York via Plymouth and Cherbourg.

Passed, December 25.

Tarifa (Dec. 24)—Sesostris from Hamburg for San Francisco.

Prawle Point—Statendam from Rotterdam for New York.

HEADACHES FROM COLDS.
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes the cause. To get the genuine, call for full name and look for signature of E. W. Grove. 25c.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
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MRS. CHADWICK WEPT BITTERLY

Proclaimed Innocence of Husband and Asked Sheriff to Be Good to Him.

FORLORN CHRISTMAS IN JAIL

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25.—Before Sheriff Barry left for New York tonight with a warrant and requisition papers to be served on Dr. L. S. Chadwick when he arrives Wednesday morning, Mrs. Chadwick sent for him. She kept him for an hour in the cell, during which time she wept bitterly and repeatedly asked the sheriff to be good to the doctor and his daughter, Mary.

"The doctor is wholly innocent," said Mrs. Chadwick. "If any wrong has been done, I alone am guilty. This arrest of the doctor is the worst angle of the whole horrible affair. I never suspected that my husband would be dragged into it. He is as honest a man as ever lived."

Mrs. Chadwick seemed greatly worried and was only relieved when the sheriff promised that the doctor should have the best treatment that could be given him.

After the interview the sheriff stated that he would break the news of his arrest as lightly as possible to the doctor, more on account of his daughter than anything else. Miss Chadwick will be taken to the Holland house and left there if she so desires. If she wants to accompany her father to Cleveland she will be allowed to do so. The sheriff said he would show every consideration for the young woman who is made an innocent victim of the affair.

Mrs. Chadwick spent an exceedingly forlorn day in the jail. She seemed more gloomy than usual, due no doubt to the fact that this was Christmas, and Christmas has for the past few years always been a very merry day at the Euclid avenue home of Mrs. Chadwick. She always gave many presents on Christmas. Cleveland storekeepers say she spent thousands of dollars every holiday time.

The friends whom she had remembered on previous Christmas days seem to have forgotten her. No gifts came to the jail for her. The fact that her husband was to be arrested has preyed upon her for several days. She never since her trouble began gave way as she did before the sheriff this afternoon in talking about her husband and pleading that he be treated well.

"There is only one pleasant feature of it all," she said, "and that is that I shall see him soon."

HAS A TALE TO TELL ABOUT THE DETECTIVES

Prisoner Wanted in Pittsburgh Says New York Officers Are Allies of Crooks.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 25.—Charles Macks, alias Harris, the alleged diamond thief whom the Pittsburgh police want badly for a robbery of a Pittsburgh man, who, it is said, lost his entire fortune through the machinations of Macks, says that there will be some sensations if he ever gets out of jail. Macks is in Waupun on a 10-year sentence, and when he is released by the Wisconsin authorities he will be taken to Pittsburgh. But he says that before he goes he will tell some stories on the New York authorities.

He declares that the New York police department is an ally of the crooks, and says that the "dog detectives" there allow crooks to go free when bribed with half or more of the proceeds of the crime. He says that while he was in New York awaiting sentence at one time a package with $50 was sent him by express. The police receipted for the package, and it never reached him. Macks says he will write a book on these cases, and he says the book will be a big one.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS ON STRIKE

Faculty Refused Them a Course in Domestic Instead of Scientific Chemistry.

YORK, Dec. 25.—Twenty fair pupils of the senior high school have gone on strike because the faculty has refused to include domestic chemistry in the course of studies. The girls' senior class has been instructed heretofore in scientific chemistry only. They requested that domestic chemistry, which includes bread making, pastry cooking, soap making and other household arts, be substituted. The faculty decided against the plan. When the class of 32 young women was called for examination in scientific chemistry but 12 reported. One of the striking pupils said in self-defense:

"I think we should have a voice in the selection of our studies. Is it not more practical for a woman to have a knowledge of domestic chemistry than to know how to handle blow pipes and testing tubes? How many girls in our class will ever be employed in laboratories or in any work in which they will require a knowledge of scientific chemistry? On the other hand there are likely to be many who will have charge of households. Then will a knowledge of domestic chemistry be useful."

WANTED AT M'KEESPORT.

Prisoner at New Orleans Is Charged With Passing Forged Check in Tube City.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Harry S. McLinn, one of a trio of suspects arrested here, appears to be wanted at McKeesport, and other Pennsylvania towns want him, charging passing worthless checks. J. P. Coursin of McKeesport wired that McLinn is wanted there for passing a forged check on the Hotel Ringgold. McLinn denies that he was ever in McKeesport. His pal, Marbie, however, says he is the son of a wealthy banker at Williamsport, Pa.

Chief Delany of Denver wires: "I understand you have Harry S. W. McLinn in jail. He is wanted here for forgery. Hold him." McLinn said tonight his family is in either Pittsburgh or Chicago, but he is unable to get replies from his father.

MYSTERIOUSLY ASSAULTED.

William Bird, Former Policeman, Found Unconscious in an Alley.

William Bird, a former policeman, was mysteriously assaulted Saturday night, and was found unconscious at 1 a. m. yesterday, lying in an alley near Ross and Water streets. His injuries are serious but are not expected to be fatal.

Bird was found by Policeman John Dillon. His pockets were turned inside out and his face, head and body were covered with bruises. At the Homeopathic hospital he recovered his senses and said that he remembered nothing of the assault. He had been drinking in a Smithfield street saloon with several men, but he did not think they had injured him. Early in the evening he had had $13 in his pockets but spent some of the money. Bird is a glassworker, is 45 years old and lives on the South Side.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

NIXON—Richard Mansfield in "Beau Brummell" at 2:15 p. m., and in "Ivan the Terrible" at 8:15 p. m.

NEW ALVIN—The Harry Davis stock company in "Around the World in Eighty Days," 2 and 8 p. m.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Continuous vaudeville bill of 15 acts, headed by Henry E. Dixey and company and Elfie Fay, 1:30 to 10:45 p. m.

GAYETY—Al Leech in "Girls Will Be Girls," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Anna Eva Fay (sixth week), 2 and 8 p. m.

BIJOU—Montgomery Irving in "For His Brother's Crime," 2 and 8 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Ward and Vokes in "A Pair of Pinks," 2 and 8 p. m.

EMPIRE—"On the Suwanee River," 2 and 8 p. m.

WILLIAMS' ACADEMY—"Reilly and Woods' Burlesquers," 2 and 8 p. m.

OLD CITY HALL—Christmas Eisteddfod, afternoon and evening.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating afternoon and evening. Music tonight.

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The blank forms will be numbered and answers must be neatly arranged in numerical order by the contestants. At the close of the contest answers should be sent by mail, postpaid, addressed to Manager Proverb Contest, THE GAZETTE, PITTSBURGH, PA., or they may be left in sealed envelopes at our Business Office, Wood Street and Oliver Avenue, addressed as above.

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Contestants may send in as many sets of answers as they please, but each set must be in a different envelope. Each set will be treated separately, BUT NO CONTESTANT WILL BE AWARDED MORE THAN ONE PRIZE. Contestants may send in duplicate answers to the same Proverb Problem, but they must be on separate blanks; that is, they may fill out two or more No. 1s or 2s, etc. These duplicates must be kept together in making up the sets of answers.

Reasonable neatness will be taken into consideration in awarding the prizes.

Contestants may secure assistance from any source. Everybody is eligible except employes of The Pittsburgh Gazette.

The manager of the Proverb Contest distinctly reserves the right to make any change in or addition to these conditions that he may deem necessary for properly conducting the contest.

The proverbs selected for this contest are those in common use and will not be hard to solve, but be careful to get the correct wording and punctuation, and see that each word is spelled correctly. You will find this contest an education for old and young. Enter it at once.

BOY COASTED TO DEATH DOWN A STEEP HILL

Skull Was Fractured and Leg Broken When Thrown from His Sled. Other Fatalities.

Percy Kinney, a colored boy aged 10, died at the West Penn hospital at 11 o'clock yesterday morning from injuries received a couple of hours earlier while coasting on Harmar street, near his home, his sled striking the Pennsylvania tracks, fracturing his skull and breaking a leg.

G. H. Huddleston, a Baltimore & Ohio brakeman, fell between two cars of his train at Bruceton station yesterday morning and was fatally injured. Huddleston was aged 26 and single. He boarded at 5318 Gertrude street, Glenwood. His home was at Hammett, Va.

Albert Bowen of Allegheny yesterday at the morgue identified a body there as that of his father, Thomas L. Bowen, of 1407 Sheffield street, Allegheny. On Saturday boys found the body frozen in the ice in the Allegheny river near the Forty-third street bridge. The man had been in ill-health and was despondent because he could not do his work as formerly.

A. Frankenstein identified the body of A. Lewis, who was found dead in a room at the Hotel Muller, Second avenue and Market street, on Saturday. The man drank carbolic acid.

Mrs. Mary Davis died suddenly at midnight Saturday at her home, 84 Eureka street, of heart disease. She had been in the city shopping during the day.

Festus Lacy, aged 28, fell down a stairway at his boarding house, 1010 Wood alley, Braddock, yesterday noon and broke his neck.

TWO ICE YACHTS COLLIDE GOING 50 MILES AN HOUR

Three Men Killed and Others Injured Before Large Crowd at Lake Regatta.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 25.—Three men were killed and three more were seriously hurt in a crash of two ice yachts speeding before wind at the rate of 50 miles an hour on Onondaga lake this afternoon. The dead are James Jackson, Charles Markham and George Todd, all of this city.

The accident occurred after the first of the season's regattas of the Onondaga Lake Ice Yacht club, which attracted fully 1,500 persons to the lake.

Miss Duss Makes Debut at Economy.

ECONOMY, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Three hundred people packed music hall in Economy last evening and gave Miss Vera Duss, daughter of the bandmaster, an ovation at the concert conducted by her father, with 45 men selected from the Pittsburgh Symphony orchestra. It was Miss Duss' first appearance here and she was in excellent voice. She was showered with floral pieces and was obliged to respond to encore after encore. Duss' new march, "The Fair Debutante," by the orchestra, evoked storms of applause.

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PEABODY MAY BE GIVEN THE SEAT

Republicans Propose to Have Colorado Legislature Throw Out Fraudulent Votes.

DEMOCRATS WILL MAKE FIGHT

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

DENVER, Dec. 25.—If the general assembly of Colorado, which is to meet January 4, shall put into effect the plans formulated by the managers of the Republican post-election campaign, Gov. James H. Peabody may serve as chief executive of this state for two years more, despite the fact that Alva Adams still has nearly 10,000 plurality.

There will be a Republican majority of 30 or more in the general assembly, which will canvass the vote for state officers. It is proposed to have the general assembly appoint a special contest committee, to which will be submitted the evidence of wholesale election frauds in Denver and possibly some other counties.

The Republican managers maintain that with the fraudulent vote of Denver eliminated Gov. Peabody will have at least 7,000 plurality in this county, and 2,000 in the state. The Republicans assert that the supreme court has established a precedent for a procedure.

The Democratic leaders are preparing to contest vigorously the attempt to reseat Peabody. The Democratic managers declare there is a monstrous conspiracy behind the disclosure of fraud shown in contempt proceedings before the supreme court.

CHRISTMAS AT CAPITAL IS CELEBRATED INDOORS

Observance of Day at White House Purely a Family Affair.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Christmas was observed at the White House purely as a family affair, all the children being at home. The younger members of the family as usual had a fine time at the residence of Capt. and Mrs. Cowles, where the feature was the Christmas tree.

All the White House attaches got their presents of turkeys and other good things yesterday, and today the president and all the members of his family got their presents. The fashion of the younger members at the White House is to wake up very early and inspect the presents while the ruler of the nation is still abed.

The day was unusually quiet because of the Sabbath day. Up to midnight joy and good will and little else abounded everywhere in the District of Columbia. The weather was cloudy and raw. Most people remained indoors during the day, but in the morning large numbers attended the churches, where especially prepared programs of Christmas music were rendered.

At the home of Vice President-elect and Mrs. Fairbanks three of their four sons joined the family party for the Christmastide. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fairbanks of Chicago being detained in that city.

All the cabinet officers, with the exception of Secretary Metcalf of the department of commerce and labor, are passing the holiday season at their Washington homes. Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf are at Annapolis with their son, Midshipman Victor N. Metcalf.

HOUSE BURNED TO GROUND.

George Papnell's Dwelling Destroyed by Fire at an Early Hour This Morning.

The residence of George Papnell, in Benton avenue extension, just outside the Allegheny city limits, was burned to the ground shortly before 2 o'clock this morning. The house was a large, 11-room frame structure. Everybody in the house escaped.

The cause of the fire is not known. Three engines were sent to the fire from Allegheny, but the fire was beyond control when they arrived.

Three Killed by Train.

JANESVILLE, WIS., Dec. 25.—While returning from a family reunion near Evansville tonight, Mrs. Appel, an aged woman; Miss Lovell and Frank Woods were struck by a Northwestern train while driving in a buggy and were instantly killed.

Third Russian Squadron to Sail.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—Admiral Birileff is quoted in an interview as saying that all shipyards in the Baltic are working day and night and that the third squadron will go out in two sections.

DON'T FORGET THE ANGELUS.
HAMILTON'S
MERRY CHRISTMAS

What a good, wholesome season it is—this Christmas time. How much better we all feel—and are—for the giving and receiving that is the special feature of Christmas. Particularly the giving. The doing or giving of something good to others has an uplifting, broadening influence that repays the giver a thousand fold.

We appreciate deeply the evidences of interest and confidence that we have received during the year just closing—particularly in the amount of business that has come to us in our new store. And we have, too, a sense of gratification in the fact that we have tried to give to those who have placed their business in our hands more than they bargained for. We have tried to meet not only the expectations of our customers, but to fulfill as well our own ideas of what the conduct of a good music house should be.

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JEWISH RABBIS WOULD CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

Preach Peace and Good Will Though Not Subscribing to Christian Faith.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—"If wishing 'a merry Christmas unto all' be a Christian practice, then I am today a Christian of Christians. And if to wish that every day might be as full of love and benevolence as this be re-dreaming the fond dreams of Israel's prophets of old, then am I yet more a Jew of Jews."

Thus declared Dr. Joseph Krauskopf in a discourse on "If I Were a Christian" this morning in the Temple Keneseth Israel. From Chicago comes a similar sentiment, expressed by Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, an equally eminent Jewish rabbi, who has said that there is no reason why the Jews should not accept the Christian Christmas and celebrate; in fact, he said this was being done. He said:

"The Jews in Russia and some of the Latin countries do not dare join in the Christmas celebrations for obvious reasons, but in the more enlightened countries it is right and proper for them to accept the universal holiday. Though not a subscriber to the doctrine that this day, 1904 years ago, Deity became incarnate, suffered itself to be immaculately born, for the purpose of establishing the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, my heart, nevertheless, goes out upon my Christian brother with sentiments of peace and good will."

GAS DESTROYS TWO HOUSES.

Five Persons Are Injured in Wheeling. Babe Blown Into the Street.

WHEELING, W. VA., Dec. 25.—Five persons were injured and two houses wrecked by two natural gas explosions in the north section of the city early this morning. The house occupied by B. F. Biggs was blown up and five of the occupants suffered severe injuries. An infant child was thrown from a room in the house to the street car track on Main street and was badly injured. The other injured are:

Miss Pearl Cox of West Liberty, a visitor, burned on face; serious; Glen Biggs, leg injured; Mrs. Bessie Biggs, back injured, and B. F. Biggs, arm and back injured.

Another explosion occurred half a square away, but none of the occupants of the house were injured.

THREE OFFICERS WOUNDED.

Two Policemen Are Dying as the Result of a Street Battle With a Gang of Negroes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Two policemen fatally injured, a third badly hurt, and four negroes locked up is the result of a battle that took place today in North Plainfield, N. J., between firemen, policemen and citizens on one side and a gang of negroes on the other. Marshal Joseph Flack and Special Policeman William Klein are dying from razor cuts over their entire bodies. A third policeman, Walter O. Smalley, is at his home, his face battered and bruised. The prisoners are Samuel Hunt, Walter Tems, Albert Tunstall and Joseph Henderson, all of Plainfield.

The negroes had been standing on street corners yelling "Merry Xmas" at every one who passed, and demanding money to buy drinks. The policemen attempted to arrest the gang. They did not shoot for fear of hitting on-lookers. The firemen and citizens joined in the battle.

Hours of Police Changed.

In accordance with an order issued by Superintendent Wallace the night force of police throughout the city reported an hour later than usual last night and will continue to do until further notice. The night force will hereafter report on at 10 o'clock instead of 9 o'clock, and be relieved at 7 o'clock in the morning, instead of 6 o'clock, as heretofore.

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WE beg to announce for tomorrow the opening of our imported Colored Dress Cottons and Linens—advanced styles for 1905, in many novelties.

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JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Monday, December 26, 1904.

TOMORROW everything in our big Toy Store will be sold for just one-half of the marked price. A fine opportunity to anticipate the Xmas of 1905.

Clearance of All Holiday Goods

Beginning tomorrow and continuing throughout the week we will have a clearance of holiday goods of every kind. The prices will be reduced

ONE-HALF, ONE-THIRD, ONE-FOURTH.

It will be a time in which people can save a lot of money, not only in buying things decorative, but things of personal use. In addition to the Clearance Sale we begin our

ANNUAL SALE OF WOMEN'S UNDERMUSLINS,

together with a sale of all soiled and mussed Household Linens—both events always looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure by women who study the economical side of buying.

JUST the Time of the Year for Women to Buy Undermuslins, Because We Quote Lower Prices Than at Any Other Period—Sale Starts Tomorrow at 8 A. M.

This is an event that women full well know is a time for saving money on the purchase of a supply of muslin Underclothes. We prepare for this yearly sale months in advance; we have these underclothes made under a most rigid contract; we have them made in such quantities that concesions are granted us and we are enabled to sell them for much less than such good underclothes generally cost when bought in a piecemeal way.

One thing that detracts from so many of this kind of sales is never apparent here—it is that of skimped garments. Every article of underclothing offered in this sale will be found ample and full, no matter whether it is a garment for 10c or for $10.00, or for $100.00.

Women who prefer the fine French Underclothes, those dainty things that come from the deft fingers of French needle-women, will be referred to our sumptuous collection of fine Undergarments personally selected in Paris. Below is set forth a varied range of prices and grades—a greater range than we ever carried in any former season.

At 10c a Garment—
Corset Covers, high or low neck, trimmed with either lace or embroidery, or hemstitched ruffle, trimmed; drawers with ruffle or hemstitched hem.

At 15c a Garment—
Corset Covers, Chemises and Underskirts, all neatly and becomingly trimmed.

At 25c a Garment—
Nightgowns in four different styles—yokes trimmed with embroidery insertion and cluster tucks, or solid yokes composed of forty-eight clusters of pin tucks, or torchon lace insertion and tucks. High necks and V-shaped necks.

At 25c a Garment—
Corset Covers, either high or low neck, some made with entire fronts formed of rows of lace and clusters of tucks; others with embroidery insertion and edge, and hemstitched tucks; still others with lawn hand-drawn with ribbon. Several styles from which to select.

At 50c a Garment—
Some twenty-four different styles of Nightgowns from which to choose—muslin or cambric. Variety of necks, high, low, square and empire effects. The trimmings are embroidery insertion and ruffles with plain or hemstitched tucks. Some with hemstitched bands and kimono sleeves to match.

At 50c a Garment—
Drawers of nainsook, cambric and muslin, trimmed with laces, embroidery and tucks. Some are in Vandyke effect, some are straight.

At 50c a Garment—
Various styles of chemises—square or round neck—lace or embroidery trimming.

At 50c a Garment—
Corset covers of nainsook or cambric. Yoke back and front; trimmed with lace, embroidery insertion and ruffles and fagotting; or solid embroidery insertion and ruffles with beading; all finished with ribbon.

At 75c a Garment—
Petticoats with section ruffles, trimmed with laces or embroidery, large, medium or small tucks; quite a variety, an immense variety, from which to select.

At 75c a Garment—
There will be daintily trimmed Chemises, Drawers and Corset Covers, each line of the most substantial variety always expected at a sale of this kind.

At $1.00 a Garment—
Nightgowns, Petticoats, Drawers, Chemises, Corset Covers of nainsook and cambric—in every conceivabe style and trimming. We have outdone any former effort in getting a variety to sell at this popular price of $1.00.

At $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00—
There will be Nightgowns, Petticoats, Chemises, Drawers and Corset Covers, made of nainsook and cambric, in as large a variety as women were ever invited to look through. The trimmings of laces and embroideries are applied in every modern way.

HOUSEHOLD Linens for Reduced Prices Are Always Interesting, and Tomorrow We Throw Out All Our Holiday Linens for Specially Tempting Reductions.

Tomorrow and throughout the week women are invited to investigate the merits of this sale. There will be offered some very fine table sets for considerate reductions, there will be many lines of decorative linens at reduced prices, and there will also be some handsome bed linens for prices brought down materially—the reduced prices on the entire collection averaging a third and a half. Herewith examples:

5c each for Teneriffe Lace Doylies—sold for 10c.

20c each for Mexican Hand-Embroidered and Lace Doylies—sold for 25c and 35c.

35c each for Hand-Embroidered Doylies, 10x10 inches—sold for 65c.

50c each for Hand-Embroidered Doylies, 12 by 12 inches—and Renaissance Lace Centers, 18 by 18 inches—sold for 85c and 1.00.

75c each for Mexican Lace Centers—16 by 16 inches—sold for $1.25.

$1.00 each for Renaissance Lace Centers—24 by 24 inches—sold for $1.50.

$1.00 each for Torchon Lace Centers—20 by 20 inches—sold for $2.25.

$1.50 each for Renaissance Lace Scarfs—20 by 45 inches—sold for $3.00.

$3.00 each for Torchon Lace Scarfs—20 by 54 inches—sold for $4.50.

$4.50 each for Japanese Embroidered Scarfs and Covers sold for $6.75 and $7.50, respectively.

$7.50 the set for hemstitched damask table sets—cloths 2 by 2½ and up to 2 by 4 yards—these sets sold for $12.75.

$10.00 the set for hemstitched damask table sets—cloths 2½ by 2½ yards and up to 2½ 3 yards—these sets sold for $15.75.

$15.00 the set for hemstitched damask table sets—cloths 2½ by 3 yards and up to 2½ by 4 yards—these sets sold for $22.50 and $25.00.

$8.50 each for Hand-Embroidered Bedspreads, in size 72 inches by 100 inches—these spreads sold for $12.50.

$10.00 each for Hand-Embroidered Bedspreads, in size 90 inches by 100 inches—these spreads sold for $14.50.

$3.00 the pair for Hand-Embroidered Pillow Cases—slightly soiled and mussed—these sold for $4.75.

$1.00 the pair for Hemstitched Linen Pillow Cases, in size 21 by 36 inches and 22½ by 36 inches—these sold for $1.50.

Embroideries One-Fourth Off.

Tomorrow on special tables in Fifth Street aisle, west store, we will throw all our 1904 embroidery of Swiss, Cambric and Nainsook—insertions, edgings, all-overs—nothing the matter with them whatsoever except that they are 1904 patterns, and the prices will be one-fourth off the marked prices.

Laces for Various Reductions.

Tomorrow we will offer various laces—short ends of nets and laces—at one-half the marked price. Among them will be found—

A splendid assortment of Normandy Val. Laces—formerly 10c to 25c—reduced to 5c and 10c a yard.

A lace importation of fine English Torchon Laces and insertions, not the heavy rough kind, but dainty thread and pretty patterns, formerly 5c, 10c and 20c a yard, tomorrow 3c, 5c and 10c a yard.

All our odd pieces of Valenciennes laces, edgings and insertings, formerly selling for 8c, 10c and 12½c a yard, out tomorrow for 5c a yard.

All our mussed and tossed Llerre Lace Robes will be sold tomorrow for one-half former prices.

Girls' Cotton Dresses---Reduced Prices.

Tomorrow we will have a sale of these dresses in the second floor, West, and the prices that we will quote are worth the consideration of mothers—

Special lot of white cotton poplin Russian Dresses, box pleated back and front, embroidered emblem on sleeves, sizes 4 to 10 years—$4.00 values for the special price of $2.25.

Girls' white lawn dresses, trimmed with lace and embroidery, lace yoke and lace trimmed berthas, tucked skirt, special at $2.00.

Girls' neat white lawn dresses, tucked yoke, trimmed with embroidery, sizes 4 to 12 years, $1.50.

In this same department we will sell girls' white lawn Aprons, slightly mussed from handling—$1.50 aprons for $1.00; $3.50 aprons for $2.00; $2.75 aprons for $1.75.

In the Fourth Floor, West.

Many things there go on sale tomorrow for half prices—just such things as women like to have around the house.

All Fancy Sofa Pillows at exactly half prices—at 38c instead of 75c; at 50c instead of $1.00; at 62c instead of $1.25; at 75c instead of $1.50; at $1.25 instead of $2.50.

All Squares of different stuffs for the making of sofa pillows at exactly half of former prices.

A lot of plush Table Mats, in burnt leather decorations, 12 inches round—at 25c instead of 50c; 16 inches round at 50c instead of $1.00; 24 inches round at $1.00 instead of $2.00.

All that are left of our Cretonne and Burlap Shirtwaist Boxes will be sold for exactly half of former prices.

Three-fold oak frame Silkoline Screens have been reduced from 75c to 50c each.

Four-fold Screens, Japanese hand painted cloth, at $2.50 from $4.00, and $3.00 from $5.00.

Burlap Screens at $3.00 instead of $5.00.

Oak frame Screens, burlap panels in burnt wood effect, at $7.00 from $10.50.

$1.50 and $2 Dress Goods Tomorrow 65c Yd.

If ever there was a time for the economical buyer to secure a handsome dress pattern for an insignificant sum, that time will be tomorrow.

We have a large quantity, a very large quantity, of desirable dress stuffs, in broken lines and odd pieces, and tomorrow we are going to close them out for the most radically reduced prices ever named for fine goods.

Some of these goods are still in the piece; others are from our Christmas collection of boxed dress goods.

In addition we will place on sale about $5,000 worth of imported Suitings, English, French and German weaves, the materials offered in this great collection being all strictly up-to-date and of a very high grade. The reduced prices we will name for these goods will be received with astonishment.

Clearing the Holiday Silks.

We haven't the least doubt a good many hundred women have been awaiting this post-Christmas clearance of silks—they always do—they always benefit by our after-Christmas sale of silks for reduced prices. Among the silks offered tomorrow are the following:

1,000 yards fancy checked silks, suitable for shirtwaist suits, 75c grade for, a yard, 50c.

2,500 yards of colored Crepe de Chine—23 inches wide—wide range of colorings, 85c grades, at, a yard, 60c.

750 yards of black Crepe de Chine, 40 inches wide, $1.50 grade for, a yard, $1.25.

6,000 yards double-faced Peau de Soie, an 85c grade, for, a yard, 68c.

1,200 yards black Taffeta—guaranteed to wear—26 inches wide, $1.00 grade for, a yard, 75c.

1,000 yards of colored Velour Chiffon, $1.50 grade for, a yard, $1.00.

500 yards of Broadtail Velveteen, light and dark shades, 22 and 24 inches wide, $1.00 grade, for, a yard, 50c.

CLEARLY Every One Delights in Pictures, So Tomorrow We Are Going to Offer a Great Variety of Subjects for Prices Considerably Below Regular Prices.

We have had an unprecedented Christmas business in this section of the store, and in handling such a great collection some pictures have become more or less damaged, not so much, however, but what they can be easily remedied—a rub here or a little break there constitutes the hurt of the pictures offered tomorrow. Any picture that has a blemish of any kind will be offered for the very smallest of prices. This pertains to our entire line.

Paintings

"Graizing," by St. Simone, at $45.00 from $70.00.
"Landscape," by P. D. Berry, at $35.00 from $50.00.
"Knitting," by Kahrer, at $35.00 from $60.00.
"Cows," by A. Willi, at $12.00 from $18.00.
"The Deserter," by Gerhart, at $20.00 from $30.00.
"Chickens," by Maginn, at $12.50 from $25.00.
"Landscape," by Barrison, at $10.00 from $30.00.
"Cats," by Bruno Neuville, at $60.00 from $80.00.
Several paintings at $12.00 from $20.00.

All these are handsomely framed, and some are in shadow boxes.

Pastels

These are landscapes in gilt frames, and are beautiful pictures in every way:

$ 2.50 Pastels will be sold for $1.00.
$ 5.50 Pastels will be sold for $2.00.
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$ 6.00 Pastels will be sold for $3.00.
$ 8.00 Pastels will be sold for $4.00.
$15.00 Pastels will be sold for $7.50.

Fruit Pastels

Fine hangings for the dining-room—elegant oak or gold frames.

$ 5.00 Pastels will be sold for $3.00.
$ 7.50 Pastels will be sold for $ 5.00.
$10.00 Pastels will be sold for $ 7.50.
$12.00 Pastels will be sold for $ 8.00.
$25.00 Pastels will be sold for $18.00.
$22.00 Pastels will be sold for $13.00.

Game Panels

We have a number of good subjects which sold for $1.25 and tomorrow the price will be 85c.

Photogravures

These are all hand-colored and are handsomely framed—colored by hand, remember:

"Halt in the Desert" at $10.00 from $15.00.
"Lilies" at $17.50 from $35.00.
"Frolicsome" at $12.00 from $15.00.
"The Farm" at $16.50 from $25.00.
"In the Forest" at $16.50 from $25.00.
"Burst of Melody" at $25.00 from $35.00.
"The Cloister and the World" at $24.00 from $35.00.
"Madonna" at $10.00 from $15.00.
"Morning" at $6.50 from $10.00.
"Modesty" at $3.00 from $5.00.
"Love's Prelude" at $8.00 from $14.00.

Etchings

Quite a number of etchings, 18 by 28 inches, heretofore sold for $3.00; tomorrow the price will be $1.00.

Taber Arotypes

Quite a variety in gilt frames that have heretofore sold for $2.50, tomorrow the price will be $1.00 each.

Odd Lots of Pictures

A large variety of 75c and $1.00 pictures will be sold for 50c.

A large variety of 50c pictures will be sold for 25c.

A large variety of 25c pictures will be sold for 12½c.

This last quotation refers to a lot of pictures entitled "The Winner," of which we have sold hundreds and hundreds at 25c—at 12½c they are a wonderful value.

ON the Assumption That Every Home Is the Better for Plenty of Bric-a-Brac and China, We Hold a Sale in the Department Tomorrow for Greatly Reduced Prices.

This Third Floor, East, has full variety in wares that can be used for decorative purposes and wares that are of greatest utility, and as the collection of broken assortments as a whole is very large, tomorrow we will offer these lines at variously reduced prices. People who have their eye upon a handsome piece of bronze or pottery can buy it very much below former prices, and those who want little decorative articles can buy them for insignificant sums. The collection is entirely too large to permit of elaborate detail. Please take the following merely in the way of hints:

English, French and German China Cups and Saucers, those that have sold for $15.00 a dozen and up to $18.00, will be put out tomorrow and one or as many as needed can be selected for, each, $1.00.

French China Dinner Sets, composed of 100 pieces—dainty flower decorations, gold stippling, sold formerly for $30.00, special price tomorrow, $18.50

French and English decorated China Punch Bowls, many different shapes and many different decorations—regular prices $3.00, $5.00, $6.00, $8.00 and up to $25.00, will be sold for one-fourth less those prices.

Hadley's celebrated English China Hand Painted Vases, Rose Jars, Jardinieres, Urns, etc.—fish, game and floral decorations—regular prices $1.75 up to $50.00, will be sold tomorrow for 20 per cent off those prices.

One Bronze Card Receiver reduced from $27.50 to $13.75.

Although Steins have sold fast this Christmas season, we still have a very good selection left, and for those that sold for 25c and up to $15.00 we will tomorrow allow a discount of 20 per cent.

Odd pieces of Sparkling Cut Glass—America's best product—will be sold tomorrow for 33⅓ per cent less than formerly. Fruit Bowls, regularly $10.25 to $22.00, one-third off; Vases, $10.50 to $25.00, one-third off; Pitchers, $15.00 to $25.00, one-third off.

One imported bronze figure—"Going to the Bath"—reduced from $65.00 to $32.00.

One German bronze figure—"The Ironworker"—reduced from $45.00 to $22.50.

One Egyptian bronze figure—"The Lily"—reduced from $90.00 to $45.00.

One bronze figure—"Aesculap"—reduced from $25.00 to $12.50.

One bronze figure—"Pavot"—reduced from $15.00 to $7.50.

Christmas Stockings.

Broken Lines of Women's and Children's for Variously Reduced Prices.

The time will be opportune tomorrow for securing fine stockings and little enough to pay. We don't know that we ever offered such good stockings for such small prices.

Broken lines of women's fancy embroidered Stockings, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 grades for, a pair, 50c.

Women's black cotton Stockings, embroidered in assorted colors and patterns, 35c and 50c grades, 3 pairs for 50c, or single pair for 18c.

Art Needlework.

Chance for Women to Get Something Nice for Little Money.

All our handsome hand-embroidered centerpieces and pillows, this year's newest patterns, all silk embroidered, will be sold for half prices—$1.25 for $2.50 kind; $2.50 for the $5.00 kind, and on up to $15.00 for $30.00 pieces.

Fancy Pin Cushions in all shades and colors, slightly mussed, sold for 35c and 50c, special tomorrow, each, 20c.

Paper Novelties in all colors and shapes, former prices, 5c and up to 50c, will be sold tomorrow for 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c and up to 25c.

Children's Fine Coats.

Tomorrow we are going to give mothers an opportunity to get their little children, those of one, two and three years, a fine coat for much less than the usual prices.

The materials are cream serge, bedford cord, granite cloth and broadcloth—the capes trimmed with fancy braid, or with lace or with silk materials.

$ 7.50 Coats will be sold for $4.25.
$10.50 Coats will be sold for $5.60.
$12.50 Coats will be sold for $6.75.
$15.00 Coats will be sold for $7.50.
$16.00 Coats will be sold for $8.00.

Women's Christmas Handkerchiefs at Reduced Prices.

What a lot of Handkerchiefs we have for disposal at reduced prices tomorrow and the balance of the week—soiled handkerchiefs, mussed handkerchiefs, handkerchiefs that have been handled, handkerchiefs for window display, handkerchiefs that have been gathered from special tables—all more or less hurt, each of which will be as good as new upon the application of a little soap and water.

About any kind of handkerchief women care for—initialed, embroidered, hemstitched, scalloped, lace trimmed, etc.

Handkerchiefs that were 15c and 18c, tomorrow 10c.
Handkerchiefs that were 25c and 35c, tomorrow 18c.
Handkerchiefs that were 50c and 75c, tomorrow 35c.
Handkerchiefs that were $1.00 and $1.25, tomorrow 75c.

Two Bargains in White Goods.

White dress cottons tomorrow at these unique reductions.

10c a yard for Fleeced Pique, 22 inches wide, Marsellies and Damask designs, 35c to 50c goods.

25c a yard for mercerized waistings—50c, 75c and $1.00 goods.

Attractive Pieces From the Furniture Store Reduced.

Quite a number of pieces which come under the head of Christmas goods are affected by the reduction. The prices are certainly an inducement to buy tomorrow, the day after Christmas.

Desks—
A number that sold for $12.50, tomorrow $10.00.
A number that sold for $15.00, tomorrow $12.50.

Music Cabinets—
Pretty Cabinets that sold for $10.00, tomorrow $8.00.
Neat Cabinets that sold for $12.50, tomorrow $10.00.

India Seats—
$1.25 India Seats will go tomorrow for 75c.
$3.50 India Seats will go tomorrow for $2.25.

Rockers—
$6.00 Inlaid Rockers will go tomorrow for $5.00.
$10.00 Inlaid Rockers will go tomorrow for $8.00.

Pipe Racks—
$1.00 ones will be sold tomorrow for 30c.
$1.50 ones will be sold tomorrow for 50c.
$2.00 ones will be sold tomorrow for $1.00.

TOMORROW

½ off Imported Jewelry.
⅓ off Odds and Ends Stationery.
⅓ off Mussed Leather Goods.
⅓ off Odds and Ends Silverware.

$5.00 Umbrellas Tomorrow for $2.75.

Our Umbrella Department springs into this clearance with a capital bargain—women's umbrellas formerly $5.00 reduced to $2.75.

All have Union silk coverings with tape edge and the handles are of either fine sterling and pearl, gun metal, long post silver, ivory and gold or ivory and silver.

Such fine value is even worth buying now and laying away for next Christmas.

Fourth and Half for Women's Neckwear.

All printed Persian Scarfs will be thrown out tomorrow and choice can be had at one-fourth less former prices.

All mussed and handled stocks, jabots, sets and fancy neckwear will be sold for just half of former prices.

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Monday, December 26, 1904.

The breakdown of the water service on Saturday evening might have had more serious consequences, but was bad enough as it was. There is no lucid explanation yet of the causes of the trouble, but enough is known to indicate bad management somewhere. Presumably there will be a full investigation of the matter by the proper authorities and measures taken to prevent the possibility of the same thing occurring again. It would be idle to make further comment in the absence of detailed information.

Colorado's political troubles grow apace. The latest development is an application to the supreme court of the United States for a writ of habeas corpus directed to the supreme court of the state. The bill of particulars recited the peculiar election laws of Colorado, which aim to keep all questions affecting the suffrage out of the courts. It is not improbable these laws reflect the peculiar conditions existing in that state, from which its troubles and anarchy have sprung. In any case the state appears in need of thorough reorganization.

In the case of the interstate commerce commission against the Illinois Steel Company and the Chicago, Lake Shore & Eastern railway, there is something to say on both sides. Judge E. H. Gary speaks for the companies intelligently and to the point. He says the railroad in question receives no greater proportion of joint rates than other railroads receive for similar service and there is no reason to doubt the accuracy of his statement. The question to be determined in this connection is whether railroads in general do not apportion more than a fair share of all rates to switching and terminal charges. At any rate there should be a full and fair inquiry into the whole subject and adjudication in accord with all of the facts.

Another materjal advance has been made by the Japanese forces investing Port Arthur, and this time with slight sacrifice of life. Admiral Togo has withdrawn his heavy fighting vessels from the blockade, advising his government that the Russian squadron has been so effectively disabled that it is no longer a factor. These are the signs that point to the end of Russian power on the Liao peninsula. It is impossible for the approaching Russian fleets to find asylum at Port Arthur or Dalny and Admiral Togo is free to dock his best vessels in preparation for their coming into Asiatic waters. Add to these facts the difficulty of supplying a large army over a slender thread of frost-bound railway 6,000 miles long and there is ample reason for the rumored willingness of the czar to permit mediation for peace terms.

It is probably inevitable the management of so huge an enterprise as the Panama canal should be accompanied by some friction among the managers. The commission is composed of diverse elements and its members naturally do not hold identical views. It may be necessary for congress to pass new legislation, abolishing the commission and concentrating authority in the hands of a single chief. The controversy between Admiral Walker, president of the commission, and Chief Engineer Wallace, points in this direction. It is only fair to say in this connection that both men are entirely honest and unselfish. Admiral Walker, however, is an engineer of the old school, who has won his honors, while Chief Engineer Wallace is of the modern school of engineering, with his life reputation at stake. The public will take these things into consideration in deciding between them.

The municipal art society and its members are always alert in New York city to restrain offenders against public taste and its president has just won a victory by securing an injunction against Park Commissioner Fallas to restrain him from letting the bill boards that surround the new library at Forty-second street to advertisers. The court holds that the commissioner has not right to let property devoted to parks to private parties for profit. It does not pass upon the esthetic appearance of the posters except to state that no claim is made that they can add to the enjoyment of the people. The corporation counsel has the opportunity to take an appeal, but it is thought unlikely that he will pursue the matter further. In the meantime the subway advertisements, which have given such offence, are being fixed up in conformity with the restrictions the rapid transit commission has imposed.

Pittsburgh people can sympathize with those in London who have been complaining so much of late about the smoke-laden fogs that envelop the city so that even traffic is impeded. The prevailing opinion has been that the veil obscuring the light was entirely fog or mostly so, but it has been found recently that unconsumed coal from thousands of chimneys add to its color and density. There is now talk of means to remove the clouds that settle over the city, but most of the electrical experiments made have been profitless. In this country, where the use of soft coal for domestic purposes has been on the increase, complaints on account of smoke are made in the large cities. A series of objects which have been frightening the Londoner are three exhibits of the human lung, the first of the man who lived in a pure atmosphere, the second of the London resident, which is gray, and the third of the coal worker, which is black. But physicians are not ready to assert that the grains of carbon do more harm than to irritate the mucous linings of the body.

Peace Rumors.

Both at St. Petersburg and Berlin rumors are current that first step has been taken toward opening peace negotiations between Russia and Japan. The Berlin rumor is supplemented by the announcement that Germany will act as mediator, which does not enhance the credibility of the report. The expectation has been that in this case, as in the case of our war with Spain, France would be the mediator, but a dispatch from Paris says that there is no such expectation at present among the officials of the foreign office there. Just what amount of importance may be attached to any of these rumors it is impossible to say. It is known that an influential section of the Russian governing class have been opposed to the war with Japan from the start, and have steadily urged the policy of cultivating friendly relations with Japan. It is easy to understand how expressions of hopeful anticipation from such quarters may from time to time start rumors of peace negotiations.

And yet it need not occasion any surprise should peace negotiations come at any time, for the respective interests of the two powers admit of equitable adjustment. Even in Russia it is now generally admitted that the policy which brought on the war was wrong and it follows that the sensible thing to do is to retrieve the consequences to as great an extent as s possible, as soon as possible. Of course Russia cannot now obtain the advantageous terms she could have done had she shown at first the respect for Japanese national interests she will have to show now, but it is probable that Japan will act with great moderation and will not be exacting in pressing her present advantage. The astute statesmen of Japan understand quite well that she can afford to forego much which her military position would enable her to claim, if by acting with magnanimity she can effect a lasting settlement. Japan has had no hesitation about admitting her willingness to treat whenever Russia is ready, and when Russia is really ready no mediation will probably be needed. The two powers can resume the negotiations broken off by war and settle their differences between themselves. Although Russia has lost Southern Manchuria, it does not follow that arrangements may not be made by which she will have a commercial outlet upon the Yellow sea. Under the policy of the open door, Russian interests are likely to prosper more than under the system of trade monopoly, which she was fixing upon Manchuria in defiance of treaty engagements and her solemn pledges. It has become so manifest that continuance of the war can offer no advantages to Russia which will compensate for the sacrifices that must be made, that it merely credits Russian statesmanship with capacity to appreciate national interests when the belief is entertained that means will be found to end the war.

Federal Control.

Chief Justice James T. Mitchell of the Pennsylvania supreme court has followed his recent speech by an interview in which he takes direct issue with the president on the matter of the control of corporations by the national government. "My own opinion," he says, "is that the federal power has already been stretched far beyond its proper boundaries in such matters."

We do not agree with the chief justice in this conclusion. The federal power is the only power that is capable of dealing with interstate commerce under the provisions of the Constitution, which prohibits state interference with traffic between the states. If, as the chief justice says, the interstate commerce commission is an invasion of state rights, then how may one state protect itself and its people from the aggressions of another? It is the lesson of experience that states do not agree upon the essentials of corporate control. It has been the uniform practice of the supreme court of the United States to hold that one state may not prohibit the creatures of another from doing business within its borders. Thus if one state of the 45 can be procured to grant improper privileges the remainder have no recourse. Such a proposition is absurd. It is contrary to all right conception of majority rule. It is in precisely such cases that federal authority should control, and it was to meet such emergencies that federal power was created.

On the proposition that the people want the "trusts" there is more to be said. There has been an irresistible trend toward combination of capital and energy in this country. It has been indissolubly connected with the marvelous progress of the nation. In that far it may fairly be said to have the sanction of the people. Yet it is a hazardous assumption that because the people approve combination for progress and development that they also approve combination for oppression, or in restraint of trade. The popular indorsement given to President Roosevelt at the polls in November is the best indication the public can have of what the people think upon this subject.

To Pacify Morrocco.

The policy of France in Morrocco has been officially described as one of pacific administration. French administration in adjacent countries has been so tactful and conciliatory in dealing with all elements of native authority, whether civil or religious, that great success has been obtained in making those countries not only peaceful, but content. The guiding principle has been to obtain the substance of power without making any show of it offensive to racial or religious prejudice, and so thoroughly has this principle been applied that the French government, which at home is at war with the church, in Tunis, Algeria and in the Saharan provinces is the generous patron and close ally of the Mohammedan schools, thus enlisting the support of Mohammedan fanaticism in behalf of French influence. Even the fiercest mollah regards it as entirely proper that the infidel Franks should pay tribute to true believers and receive countenance and protection in so doing. The hope was entertained that by similar methods French influence could be gradually extended throughout Morrocco, pacifying the country and establishing orderly administration.

Dispatches now report that the French government has about come to the conclusion that the situation does not admit of pacific penetration and that it may become necessary to seize the principal ports and in addition send a military force into the country. Troops could be readily moved from Algeria, where there is at present a force of 50,000, but it is stated that in any event great care will be exercised to avoid any outbreak of religious fanaticism. In any movements which may be made the French government will doubtless assure itself of native support.

The situation presents special difficulties from the fact that the unstable character of the reigning sultan has thrown the country into anarchy. In Mohammedan countries the bond of allegiance is religious. The sultan is entitled to the obedience of his subjects solely as commander of the faithful and if he himself deserts the faith rebellion is altogether proper. The present sultan has alienated the sympathy and support of large bodies of his people by precipitate adoption of western methods and inconsiderate introduction of reforms. He has been barely able to hold his seat on the throne and over a great part of the country he has no real authority. His policy has fluctuated with his emergencies, being now for and now against the methods of civilization, and hence there is no settled basis of authority upon which French administration could rest in dealing with the various tribal revolts and local disorders. Eventually the problem will doubtless be solved just as it has been in the other Mohammedan states of North Africa. Thanks to her present friendly relations with England, France has now a free hand in Morrocco and the last of the once powerful Barbary states will pass under civilized control.

Plenty of Water.

Though the weather was not ideal for the Christmas season of good cheer, it has brought cheerfulness to many. The parched area has been relieved, springs revived and the wheels of industry set to turning. Rivermen expect to run coal for the south today or tomorrow, which will be a boon to southern consumers on the one hand and Pennsylvania miners on the other. The miners have been at least partly idle because there were no more boats or barges to load.

Great relief is felt by the railroads, which were in distress on account of water shortage. Manufacturing plants in the Monongahela and Youghiogheny valleys are benefited by getting rid of the excess acid accumulations which destroyed their steam boilers. Towns will again have an ample supply of water for all purposes. Farmers, too, have been relieved of the necessity for driving live stock many miles to water. Nothing within a month has given so great an impetus to prosperity in Western Pennsylvania as the thaw and rains of the past few days. There are disagreeable accompaniments, but they are out of proportion to the good that has been done.

The Rational Plan.

Noting the recent comment of The Gazette on the weakness of the system of having congress meet more than a year after its election, the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune says: "The Pittsburgh Gazette is very close to the right." It argues vigorously for a change in the plan that provides for a limited session of the old congress after the new is elected. The Tribune says in conclusion:

There are difficulties in the way, but they are not insurmountable. The constitutional provisions consist in giving to the states the right to order the time, place and manner of electing members and senators and fixing the time for assembling of congress on the first Monday in December in each year, with power to congress to make or alter such regulations except as to places of choosing senators. No amendment to the federal Constitution would be required, and the only difficulty in the way which might be regarded as serious would be in the fact that some statesmen might be cut off in the middle of their terms of usefulness when the change took effect. But that would happen only once and would be an endurable thing when the advantages of the new system come to be considered.

This argument is correct. Congress ought to meet, fresh from the hands of the people, ready to do their bidding as expressed at the polls. There would then be no excuse that the time is too short in any session for the accomplishment of any legislation. There would be no limit upon the duration of the first session except the date for beginning the second, and no limit on the second except the expiration of the term for which its members are elected.

It is said Russia intends to prove the presence of torpedo boats among the Dogger bank trawlers. It is the intention of the British to prove the contrary. So there is likely to be work for the court of inquiry.

Teachers propose to question the power of the central board to have them examined. It might be well, in this connection, to consider the power of the board to have them discharged.

It is suggested from Berlin that Russia will now accept mediation for the ending of the war. This naturally also suggests a threatened breakdown of the line of communications.

France threatens to coerce Morocco if it does not behave. An application of the shingle ought to do some good there.

President Roosevelt is after the smoke-producers in Washington. Making good on his ideal city idea.

Councilman Roenigk ranks with Columbus and Henry Hudson as one of the great discoverers.

The drought was broken all right. So were the weather bureau promises.

Changes in the Panama canal commission are among the probabilities.

This glad holiday season must be monotonous for Gov. Vardaman.

Undivided attention may now be turned to paying the bills.

"There is plenty of water in the streams, such as it is."

Gateless water mains would be more popular.

It was a bright Christmas if not a white one.

It is all over but the pepsin.

Talked of in Gotham

By FRANK A. PARKER.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—With a squall of snow blowing through the air and the mercury hovering around that point where the cold nips the ears and nose, New York had an ideal Christmas day. It was just the sort of a day that causes people to hug the fireside, and as a consequence the streets were all but deserted. Never were there so few people along Broadway as this afternoon. And even the hotel lobbies looked almost like deserted halls, for people who have families will go hundreds of miles to be with them on Christmas, and those who have none seem ashamed of the fact and keep out of sight as much as possible.

The famous "Peacock Lane" at the Waldorf-Astoria, for instance, was almost as dreary on this Christmas afternoon as Goldsmith's "Deserted Village." True, there were a few men to be seen, but not a rustle of silk skirts was heard and most of the men were in the cafe, drowning their sorrow in appletoddy and other mixtures that are designed to make one forget that Christmas is only for those who accumulate homes and families as they go through life.

But out in Harlem and across the Bronx, where there is the stability of home life which the Tenderloin knows not of, it was a Christmas day that was ideal. Never before was there such a demand for Christmas trees and holly and mistletoe. Fully 400,000 trees came to market, and very few of them but found their part in the day's program of good cheer. There were trees that fitted the purse of every condition in life, and the purchaser had his choice at a cost that ranged from 10 to 15 cents to $75. These latter trees were dealt in almost entirely in Fifth avenue, and are the fine blue spruce.

But there is a note of sadness today in the fact that trees are becoming more scarce and harder to secure each year. The forests of pine are being denuded to build shrines to Santa Claus, and each year it becomes more difficult to secure the finer specimens. Consequently prices are being advanced and in a few years, perhaps, beautiful Christmas trees will become a luxury that not all may enjoy. Still, though not all may have Christmas trees, there can never be created a monopoly of the Christmas cheer that comes by adding to the happiness of others.

Rather an Expensive Habit.

A veteran market man, who has dealt in things with a Christmas flavor so long as to become an expert on the grand total of the nation's Christmas bill, gives some wonderful figures on the subject; figures that must convince the most skeptical that the world is yet full of the milk of human kindness. The market man dealt only in millions: 12,000,000 turkeys, worth $42,000,000; 4,000,000 quarts of cranberries, worth $1,080,000; 15,000,000 mince pies that cost $1,200,000, and trees, holly, mistletoe and other greens that cost $8,000,000. Add to these figures the millions more that have been spent for gifts and you will see that Americans had quite a good time today.

Some of the Day's Gifts.

Fruits and flowers are annually becoming more popular as Christmas gifts. During the past week the florists' windows have been full of beautiful suggestions that cost from $8 to $35. These were mostly baskets of cut flowers, but there were also palms and other potted plants, for which there was a great demand. Of course, American Beauty roses are the most expensive, but even the modest little violet, when taken in such bunches as have been displayed for sale along Fifth avenue, assumes a monetary value that has a large dollar mark on the side, with sometimes two figures following.

And in the fruit line strawberries took a prominent place, not the luscious berry of the real berry season, but a more or less insipid imitation grown in hothouses. They retail at about $3 50 a cup. There are usually 20 berries to the cup, which makes thew worth about 17 cents a berry. Then there are baskets of assorted fruits that range in price from $25 to $150. These have been very popular gifts to be sent abroad, and, strange as it may seem, quantities of flowers are also sent to friends abroad. These have been gone several days. The American Beauty rose is the favorite for sending across the Atlantic because of its hardiness. The roses are packed in boxes and simply wrapped in paraffine paper. Still there are many orders for flowers cabled to the other side, so that the quantity of flowers "shipped from home" is not so great as it otherwise might be.

On the Seamy Side of Life.

Nor was "the other half" forgotten in all this Christmas cheer. The program of the day's events on the East Side would in itself almost fill a book. Yesterday was devoted to giving out Christmas baskets, and great crowds surrounded the stations of the various charitable organizations all the afternoon and evening. None went away without their well-filled basket of Christmas provisions. Nor was a bit of holly forgotten in most instances. Today, beginning early this morning, there were breakfasts and dinners galore for the homeless. More will follow tomorrow, and it cannot then be said that anyone in the great city was knowingly allowed to be without a bit of real Christmas.

Among the celebrations of today were an early morning breakfast to 1,000 homeless men at the Bowery mission, the newsboys' dinner at the Bruce Memorial lodging house in New Chambers street, given by the widow and son of William M. Files, and turkey dinners at all the city hospitals, prisons and the almshouse. Tonight was also given the annual Christmas treat of the children of the theatrical profession, toward which Commissioner McAdoo sent a check for $700, representing the contributions of the uniformed members of the police force to the Christmas of the children of the stage. And after it is all over it may be said truly that few were left out of the Christmas gaiety.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the leading New York hotels today:

Waldorf-Astoria.
Mrs. D. Boyle.
C. D. Rafferty.

Holland.
J. R. Taylor.

Hotel Astor.
C. O'Day.
Mrs. O'Day.
S. Black.
Mrs. Black.

Imperial.
A. J. Thomas.
C. B. Smith.
J. H. Skinner.

Astor House.
L. Mahoney.
W. Robson.
F. H. McNulty.

Hoffman.
E. C. Neal.
H. C. Ackerland.

Manhattan.
S. Meli.
E. B. Vaill.

Herald Square.
A. W. Milligan.
B. Friedman.

Grand Union.
C. F. Barstow.
D. O. Evans.
S. A. Balou.

Navarre.
C. S. Ashton.
Mrs. Ashton.
L. S. Brown.
Mrs. Brown.
C. E. Wilbur.

Hotel Wolcott.
J. M. Taylor.
J. S. Selker.

Victoria.
L. Swift.
Mrs. Swift.

Albemarle.
C. M. Hartsell.

Park Avenue.
G. W. Morse.

Should Be Proud of Congress.

When comparisons are made between America and Continental Europe, we can find much of which to be proud. Our growth, our wealth, our industries, our resources, our energy, all making flattering comparison with average European conditions. But I believe, in making such comparisons, there is no one thing of which we have the right to be more proud than of the congress of the United States. Better than any continental parliament, it represents the people. The one legislative body of the world that is in any way comparable to ours, is the parliament of Great Britain. In character, intellect, methods, dignity, and in the truthfulness with which each represents the people, the British parliament and the United States congress stand in a class quite apart and above any of the parliaments of Continental Europe.—Frank A. Vanderlip in Scribner's.

In the Interest of Centralization.

Mr. James R. Garfield, the commissioner of corporations, in the first report of that new department of the federal government, discloses frankly that he holds an able brief in the interests of centralization. He would have all corporations doing an interstate business compelled to do so under a federal franchise. * * * We do not know how in simple and engaging guise there could be framed another measure so subversive of our whole theory and principle of government. What would become of the sovereignty of the states? What pretense could be alleged of its continued existence? How long would it be possible for us to recognize ourselves as the United States of America? Should we not at once become the State of America, with no more pretense to a constitution than if we were an aggregation of zemstvos?—New York Sun.

The Quiet Observer.

By ERASMUS WILSON.

'Twas the night after Christmas, when all through the house
Every soul was abed, and as still as a mouse;
Those stockings so lately St. Nicholas' care
Were emptied of all that was eatable there.
The darlings had duly been tucked in their beds,
With very full stomachs and pains in their heads.
I was dozing away in my new cotton cap,
And Nancy was rather far gone in a nap,
When out in the nursery rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my sleep, crying, "What is the matter?"
I flew to each bedside, still half in a doze,
Tore open the curtains and threw off the clothes;
While the light of the taper served clearly to show
The piteous plight of those objects below.
For, what to the fond father's eyes should appear
But the pale little face of each sick little dear;
Each pet, having crammed itself full as a tick,
I knew in a moment, now felt like old Nick!
Their pulses were rapid, their breathings the same;
What their stomachs rejected I'll mention by name:
Now turkey, now stuffing, plum pudding, of course,
And custards and crullers and cranberry sauce—
Before outraged nature all went to the wall—
Yes, lollypops, flapdoodle, great things and small;
Like pellets, which urchins from pop-guns let fly,
Went figs, nuts and raisins, jam, jelly and pie.
Till each error of diet was brought to my view,
To the shame of mamma and of Santa Claus, too.
I turned from the sight, to my bedroom stepped back,
And brought out a vial marked Pulv. Ipecac,
When my Nancy exclaimed—for their sufferings shocked her—
"Don't you think you had better, love, run for the doctor?"
I ran—and was scarcely back under my roof,
When I heard the sharp clatter of old Jalap's hoof.
I might say that I hardly had turned myself round,
When the doctor came into the room with a bound.
He was spattered with mud from his hat to his boots,
And the clothes he had on seemed the drollest of suits;
In his haste he'd put all quite awry on his back,
And he looked like John Falstaff half fuddled with sack.
His eyes, how they twinkled! Had the doctor got merry?
His cheeks looked like Port and his breath smelt of Sherry;
He hadn't been shaved for a fortnight or so,
And the beard on his chin wasn't white as the snow.
But, inspecting their tongues, in despite of their teeth,
And drawing his watch from his waistcoat beneath,
He felt of each pulse, saying, "Each little belly
Must get rid"—here he laughed—" of the rest of that jelly."
I gazed on each plump, chubby, sick little elf,
And groaned when he said so, in spite of myself,
But with a wink of his eye, as he physicked dear Fred,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He didn't prescribe—but went straightway to work
And dosed all the rest—gave his trousers a jerk,
And adding directions while blowing his nose,
He buttoned his coat, from his chair he arose,
Then jumped in his gig, gave old Jalap a whistle,
And Jalap dashed off as if pricked by a thistle.
But the doctor exclaimed, ere he drove out of sight,
"They'll be well by tomorrow—good-night, Jones, good-night."
—Anonymous.

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How does this strike you?

Doesn't it fit the occasion about as neatly as "The Night Before Chrisumas" did on the day before?

And don't you think the lesson equally appropriate and as well worth your attention?

We may have our fun, and all of it we want, but it has to be paid for, as you may have learned before this, and to your sorrow, maybe.

Fun and merriment and jollity are good things, but like other good things, they must be enjoyed in moderation in order to be profitable or in any way helpful.

Christmas is a good thing, a mighty good thing when observed in the proper spirit and with proper understanding.

It should teach one of the greatest and most profitable lessons of life. But does it, as it is commonly observed?

This is the question that should be asked in all candor, and answered honestly.

The genuine Christmas theme is giving, and the golden text: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Are our teachings, our homilies, our sermons, poems and writings based upon that text? Too often the text is reversed and made to read that it is more desirable to receive than to give.

How is it with you, and in particular, how is it with your children?

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The Christian church of today has a splendid opportunity to capture the world and to make all men more nearly what all men should be.

Do you know how to go about it?

If not, you have not read the Book with the right spirit and proper understanding, for therein the plan is outlined so clearly and so plainly none, not even fools, need err.

When every professed Christian becomes as charitably inclined toward his neighbor as he would have him inclined to him under like conditions, then will the world acknowledge that Christianity is all that is claimed for it.

But while men profess to believe in the Christ and acknowledge themselves bound to follow the precepts and examples of Jesus, and do it not, it is sheer folly to expect the more matter of fact and less emotional world to join with them.

As a mere sentiment the Christian religion is no better than the humane sentiment of Buddha or Confucius, for their ethics are practically the same. The true spirit of Christianity, however, is more humane, more generous, and more helpful than the spirits that vitalize these older religions.

There is that in Christianity that will save the world if used as it should be.

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Defend us, Lord, from every ill.
Strengthen our hearts to do thy will.
In all we plan and all we do
Still keep us to Thy service true.

O let us hear the inspiring word
Which they of old at Horeb heard.
Breathe to our hearts the high command,
"Go onward and possess the land!"

Thou who art Light, shine on each soul!
Thou who art Truth each mind control!
Open our eyes and make us see
The path which leads to heaven and Thee!
—JOHN HAY.

IT IS TO SMILE.

Conductor—This is a bad nickel, sir—I can't take it.

Passenger—Oh, well, give that one to the company.—Cleveland Leader.

Stella—Are you going to have Jack teach you to skate this winter?

Bella—Yes, that's why I had him teach me to swim last summer.—New York Sun.

Farmer Jones—Wal, that's one thing I like about these plaguey automobilists, anyway.

Farmer Brown—What is that?

Farmer Jones—They don't mind getting killed themselves any more than they do killing other folk.—Brooklyn Life.

"How do you like that whisky?" asked the host.

"Reminds me of a funny story. That is to say, it's like a good funny story," replied the guest.

"Worth repeating, eh?"

"Not only that, but it's too good to keep."—Philadelphia Press.

Byer—That "health food" you sold me yesterday is the nastiest stuff I ever tasted. Why, it is positively sickening.

Seller—Exactly; it's a scheme of my own—no disease germ could exist in it for five seconds.—Cleveland Leader.

Current Verse

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On the Pecuniary Collapse of Mrs. Caroline (Hoover) Chadwick.

(Adapted from the Hoosier poet.)

"Cassie Hoover!" "Cassie Hoover!" wails the Buckeye in distress;
"Cassie Hoover!" moans the "come-on;" "Cassie Hoover!" howls the press.
"Cassie Hoover!" "Cassie Hoover!" Brookline swells the doleful sound,
And the goldamfins and hotel men hollers "Hoover" all around.

The jaws of all the easy-marks droops down in gloom intense:
The plaintive old get-rich-quick path betrays her footsteps' dents;
And the money-lender's wallet seems to wait for her to come
And swap its swollen wad for I. O. U.'s and chewin'-gum.

They's sorrow in the wavin' limbs of all the buckeye trees,
And sorrow deep in Oberlin, and on Lake Erie's breeze,
And all the swaller-anythings drains deep the painful cup,
And Pittsburghers geese go quackin' "Cassie Hoover's busted up!"

"Cassie Hoover!" "Cassie Hoover!" wails the Buckeye in distress;
"Cassie Hoover!" moans the "come-on;" "Cassie Hoover!" howls the press.
"Cassie Hoover?" "Cassie Hoover?" says Carnegie, "Who is she?
Never heard of Cassie Hoover. Never had a note of me."
—Harper's Weekly.

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Outdone.

Ho, ye Princes of the "Con Game," Flim-flam, Bunco and their ilk
Ho, ye Heelers, Touts and Runners, Masters of the Dupe and Bilk.
Conjurers, Jugglers, Necromancers, Grafters shrewd in every line.
Where is now the roseate glory in which you were wont to shine?

Ho, ye workers of the Pipe Dream, Hard Luck Yarn and Fairy Tale,
Ho, ye Charlatans and Prophets with your money-making trail;
All ye smooth and oily schemers, all ye slick ones, on the make,
Where is now a single honor left for your dull wits to take?

Come ye "Doers" of the public, you who're always out for blood,
Every crackerjack among you now can write his name as Mud.
Tell me, where is all your cunning, O ye shrewd ones of the land,
Tested by the razzle-dazzle of the Cassia Chadwick brand?
—Lurana W. Sheldon in New York Sun.

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What Have We Done Today?

We shall do so much in the years to come,
But what have we done today?
We shall give our gold in a princely sum,
But what did we give today?
We shall lift the heart and dry the tear,
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
We shall speak the words of love and cheer,
But what did we speak today?

We shall be so kind in the after-a-while,
But what have we been today?
We shall bring to each lonely life a smile,
But what have we brought today?
We shall give to truth a grander birth,
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth,
We shall feed the hungering souls of earth,
But whom have we fed today?

We shall reap such joys in the by and by,
But what have we sown today?
We shall build us mansions in the sky,
But what have we built today?
'Tis sweet in idle dreams to bask,
But here and now do we do our task?
Yes, this is the thing our soul must ask,
"What have we done today?"
—Nixon Waterman in Christian Intelligencer.

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The Riches of Love.

Talk about Poverty—nothing it seems;
Rich am I ever, with Love and the dreams!
Who with my wealth in the world can compare,
Rich in the glory of Jenny's gold hair!
Beautiful, down streaming hair that I hold
In the hands of me—kissing and loving its gold.

Talk about Poverty—bright the sun streams!
Take the world's riches and give me Love's dreams!
Dreams in the dark skies, and dreams in the fair,
The light—the brave splendor of Jenny's gold hair!
Earth hath its millions—but nothing like this:
The beautiful hair whose golden ringlets I kiss.

There is no Poverty!—Give me, dear God,
Not the gold harvests that color the sod:
Not the world's breath, over far oceans blown—
But the red lips of Jenny, that lean to my own!
And even in death just a joy, like to this:
Her gold hair to shadow me—sweet with Love's kiss!
—Frank L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

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A Prayer.

Being to him so precious,
Beyond all things of price,
So comforting and gracious—
Oh, scales upon his eyes!
Since lost and brokenhearted
He'd go his lonely road,
If he and I were parted,
Keep me, dear God!

From lightnings that affright me,
From pitfalls in my path,
From suns that burn and smite me,
And from the whirlwind's wrath;
From poison and from fever,
From snares at home, abroad,
Because he loves forever,
Keep me, dear God!

Yea, will Thine angels guard me,
Lest that I fall and fall,
From avalanches ward me,
And precipices all;
By fire and water lead me,
Who have deserved Thy rod,
Because one man must need me,
Keep me, dear God.
—From the Pall Mall Gazette.

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A Glass House.

(Sir E. Clarke, by taking the initials of the words "United States of North America," gets "Usona," which he suggests as a new name for the country in question.)

'Tis dangerous work, Sir Edward Clarke—
One of the riskiest of labors—
To try, as you have tried, to make
Nicknames for one's old friends and neighbors.
'Tis mere coincidence, of course,
But there's this word of yours, "Usona"—
Is it not ominous, at least,
To find it rhyming with "Bellona?"

And had you thought, before you made
To Uncle Sam your pat suggestion,
How in his country's songs 'twould sound?—
For that's a most important question.
No one, we're well aware, will doubt
Your—let us say, please, fides bona;
Still, "Hail Columbia!" on the whole,
Sounds stronger, much, than "Hail Usona!"

"Usona" might be well supposed,
By those who study nomenclature,
A cheap sustaining breakfast food
Of an undoubted "beany" nature,
Or, better still, the "U. S. A."
Might rescue it from grocers' labels
To put it on the "Register"
As their address, for use in "cables."

But, on the whole, with "Honest John"
We are in close agreement, surely;
Inventing nicknames, we repeat,
Is risky work—done well or poorly.
For if, "Usona" called by us,
The States preserve a calm cherubic,
Great Britain must prepare to smile
When some "smart" Yankee calls it "Gubik!"*

*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland—G.U.B.I.K.
—London Truth.

NO INCREASES IN CITY SALARIES

Department Heads Opposed to Higher Pay for Their Employes.

CANDIDATES FOR FIRE CHIEF

"There will be no increase in city salaries, although there is a general demand on the part of employes for an advance in pay," said C. W. Helmold, chairman of the councilmanic committee on appropriations, yesterday. "The directors of the departments are all opposed to increasing salaries. Director Bigelow told me he would not ask for a single increase of salary, and he expected to get along next year without an increase in his appropriation and probably with less than he got this year. Director Moore has asked for only one increase, for Richard McClatchey, assistant electrician, from $1,500 to $1,800 a year. Director Clark of the department of charities, has also asked for but one salary raise, the physician of the first district, from $600 to $1,000."

The police also want an increase. They now receive $3 a day, having been granted an advance last year, and it is the opinion of the sub-committee on appropriations that this compensation is sufficient for the work. If the police succeeded in getting another raise it would mean a similar application from the firemen. The $85 a month clerks of the assessors' office, who are applicants for an increase to $100, have not received much encouragement from Mayor Hays, before whom they laid their case. The mayor has put the responsibility upon councils and the finance committee by telling the clerks to prepare an ordinance and present it to councils to be referred to the committee.

As councils has already adopted a resolution that no salary increase shall be considered unless first approved by the mayor or a head of a department, the mayor's suggestion is regarded as a gentle way of "letting the city employe down easy." It is said the application of the city assessors for a raise from $2,000 to $2,500 will be denied.

The Twentieth ward councilmanic contingent is supporting George O'Neill, sergeant at No. 6 police station, for the new position of captain of police, created by an ordinance passed recently by councils. The ordinance provides for an additional captain and three lieutenants. O'Neill is well known, having served for some time as sergeant at central station.

There are five candidates for the new position of assistant fire chief created by an ordinance pending in councils. This assistant will have a new district to be formed in the East End. The three leading candidates for the place are Davidson Hunter, captain of Engine Company No. 34; Capt. George King, Company No. 24, and Capt. Charles Loxterman, Company No. 4.

Director Bigelow is still unable to find a satisfactory man who will accept the position of chief clerk of his department at a salary of $2,000. This is about the only position under the present administration for which there has not been rivalry.

GREAT OIL DEPOTS PLANNED FOR TEXAS

Then Producers Will Borrow on the Storage Supply and Hold for an Even Market.

DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 25.—Oil wells of Texas and the territories may have by next season a depot, or series of depots, in which oil may be stored, to be held and sold at such time as the mills may deem best.

Dallas will probably be one of the points used, and there may be others, if the suggestions of a committee of millers is carried out.

The object of the storing is to obtain, if necessary, a loan on the product to enable the producers to hold and market the product at times throughout the year, rather than flood the market at any one time.

With no desire to control prices or the marketing of the output, it is stated that the mills will in this way be more independent in selling their products and will not be forced to sell all at one time because of want of storage capacity.

ASKS DOUBLE DIVORCE.

Woman Sues Two Recreant Husbands at Once to Become "Legal Widow."

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 25.—Can a woman be divorced from two husbands at once?

This is a question which the courts are called on to settle for Mrs. Mary C. Bennett, who wants to be a widow with the aid of the law in order to obtain a pension from the government.

Mrs. Bennett's first husband was killed in the civil war. Subsequently she married Josiah Martin, who deserted her. Three years afterward she married Bennett and he also deserted her.

Mrs. Bennett has now filed suit for divorce against both Martin and Bennett, alleging desertion, and asks that she be made the legal widow of the soldier, in order that she might obtain a pension.

The two divorces are asked for in the same petition.

NEITHER BATH NOR SUICIDE.

Louis Soczandar Couldn't Have Either in Troy Hill Reservoir.

Watchman F. Peppernein at the Troy Allegheny, reservoir, happened to look out of his shanty yesterday afternoon and saw a man on the brink of the basin rapidly disrobing. If he wanted to bathe the reservoir was no place for his ablusions, and if he was to drown himself, he was too finicky about preserving his clothes to suit Peppernein, so the watchman arrested him.

At the Central station the prisoner mumbled that his name was Louis Soczander, a Slav, and then he refused to talk any more, even in broken English. The police were not sure whether he was demented or drunk.

PUGILIST STRUCK OLD MAN AND IS NOW BEHIND BARS

James, alias "Skipper," Manning, who is alleged to have assaulted James Gallagher, the aged proprietor of a pool room in Butler street, Saturday night, was arrested yesterday at his home in Spring alley, near Thirty-sixth street. Manning is said to have struck the old man in the face, breaking his spectacles and causing the glass to become imbedded in his eyes. He is at St. Francis hospital and may lose his eyesight. Manning is a pugilist. He will be held to await the result of Gallagher's injuries.

Miss Fay Stays Another Week.

Anna Eva Fay begins her sixth consecutive week in Pittsburgh with a matinee for both men and women, at the Avenue theater this afternoon. Miss Fay's continued success is due to her remarkably clever and lucid answers to questions both simple and puzzling. This week, which will close her engagement here, Miss Fay will give ladies' matinees on Wednesday and Saturday, the matinee this afternoon being the first given so far for both sexes.

Special Matinee at the Nixon Today.

Mr. Richard Mansfield will give a special matinee today at the Nixon of "Beau Brummel." Tonight he will give for the first time here Count Alexis Tolstoy's Russian historical tragery, "Ivan the Terrible." As the Czar Ivan, Mr. Mansfield is said to have outdone anything he has heretofore attempted.

WATER EMPLOYE LOSES HIS JOB

Bigelow Threatens to Discharge Others for Closing Gate in Butler Main.

NO CHANGE IN RATES FOR 1905

One man has already lost his job and several others are in danger of losing theirs for the accident to the Butler street water main late Saturday night, which shut off the water supply of the entire downtown district of Pittsburgh for over two hours. Director Bigelow was up until long past midnight yesterday morning making an investigation of the accident, which he says was due to the recklessness and inexperience of a laborer at the Butler street valve house, located at the Highland run bridge.

The director said this man was experimenting with the water gate. He lowered the gate, thinking he could easily raise it, but it remained down until the accumulated pressure of water held it fast. The man was ignorant of the working of the by-pass around the gate outside of the main and therefore could not reduce the pressure of the water on the back of the gate to permit it to be lifted.

Director Bigelow said the laborer had been discharged and he would also discharge any other employe who was in any degree responsible for the accident. By opening the by-pass the gate was raised and the water was again flowing through the Butler main from Highland reservoir No. 2 to the downtown district soon after midnight yesterday morning, another supply coming from Bedford basin, which was opened before. The water from the Bedford basin was turned off before daylight yesterday.

Supt. Shepherd said yesterday that if the Butler main should again get out of commission that, besides the Bedford basin to draw upon, the downtown could be supplied from several other mains connected with the two reservoirs in Highland park. He said there are mains in Liberty, Penn and Fifth avenues connected with the Highland basins and which are available for the downtown district.

There will be no reduction of the city water rates for the ensuing fiscal year, beginning the first of February next. This is announced by a city official who will be engaged in preparing the schedule for 1905. Although there have been many complaints of excessive rates to councilmen and city officials from water consumers, the present schedule will stand until meters are installed, with probably a few minor changes which will not lessen any of the rates until the meter system is fully established. The water schedule will be adopted in connection with the appropriation and tax levy bills.

The total revenues annually from water rents exceed $1,000,000 and of this amount upwards of $400,000 is clear profit. This goes a long way to meet the expenses of other branches of the city government and in reducing the annual deficit.

Although Director Bigelow has not purchased meters, he has already installed a force of inspectors and other employes to install them. The superintendent of the meter force was secured from Cincinnati and he is paid $2,000 a year. It was to provide quarters for the meter employes that the highways and sewers bureau vacated its rooms on the fourth floor of the city hall and moved to the third floor.

BISHOP NEELY BIDS GOODBY.

New Methodist Prelate for Buenos Ayres Preaches His Farewell Sermon at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—Bishop T. B. Neely, who was elected bishop of Buenos Ayres at the last general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, delivered his farewell sermon at Union Methodist Episcopal church here tonight, and will sail for South America this week.

En route to Buenos Ayres he will make an eight-day stay at Panama, where he hopes to found a mission. The bishop will hold the North Andes mission at Lima, Peru, on January 18, and the Andes conference at Coquimbo, Chile, on February 8. He will reach the Argentina capital early in March, and will hold the South American conference in Montevideo on March 8.

ROBBERS BEAT MEN TO DEATH

One Man Killed Instantly and Another Dying—Their Companion Escapes and Gives the Alarm.

TAMAQUA, Dec. 25.—Shortly after last midnight Stephen Pushart, John Brinkush and Martin Poblish were held up on the outskirts of the Lansford and beaten by four men who were armed with blackjacks. Pushart was killed and Brinkush is believed to be dying, fatally injured.

Poblish escaped from his assailants and made his way to Lansford, where he notified the police. There is no clue to the murderers.

DEFECTIVE INSULATION CAUSED THREE ALARMS

Box 396 was rung in at 7:39 a. m. yesterday for a fire at South Twenty-seventh and Carson streets. While the firemen from No. 12 engine house were responding, a still alarm reached them from South Twenty-fifth and Sidney streets. Later, at 1:25 p. m., another still alarm reached No. 12 for a blaze at South Twenty-second and Carson streets. All were caused by defective or worn-out insulation on the electric wires on poles at the points indicated. In each instance the damage was slight, none of the wires falling.

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10 to 25 yds. lengths of Brussels Carpet; Regular Price $1.35; Sale Price **90c**

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10 to 25 yds. lengths of Japan Mattings; Regular Price 40c; Sale Price **24c**

10 to 25 yds. lengths of Japan Mattings; Regular Price 35c; Sale Price **19c**

5 to 12 yds. lengths of Best Grade Oilcloths; Regular Price 35c; Sale Price **19c**

5 to 15 yds. lengths of Best Grade Printed Linoleums; Regular Price 75c; Sale Price **40c**

5 to 15 yds. lengths of Best Grade Inlaid Linoleums; Regular Price $1.75; Sale Price **$1.15**

100 Fine Grade (Utopia) Axminster Hearth Rugs; Regular Price $6.00; Sale Price **$4.00**

75 Fine Grade (Arlington) Axminster Hearth Rugs; Regular Price $9.00; Sale Price **$6.00**

200 Remnant Grades Bigelow Wilton Hearth Rugs; Regular Price $5.00; Sale Price **$2.50**

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Cumberland Accom.	* 6:30 am	* 9:20 pm
Connells. & Mt. Pleasant	† 6:30 am	†10:00 am
Wash., Balt. & N. York.	* 8:00 am	* 7:45 pm
Conn'v, Un'tn & Fairm't.	* 8:00 am	* 7:45 pm
West Newton Accom.	† 9:15 am	† 8:00 am
Cumb., Wash. & Balt.	1:00 pm	2:45 pm
Conn., Un'tn, Morgant'n	† 1:35 pm	†10:00 am
Connells. & Mt. Pleasant	† 1:35 pm	† 5:05 pm
Connellsville Accom.	* 4:00 pm	† 5:05 pm
Morgantown, Clarksburg and Weston	5:00 pm	†12:50 pm
Philadelphia & New York (Duquesne Limited)	* 6:30 pm	* 9:00 am
West Newton Accom.	† 6:40 pm	† 1:30 pm
Wash., Balt. & Phila.	* 9:00 pm	* 7:15 am
LINES WEST VIA WHEELING.		
Columbus & Cincin. Exp.	†12:05 am	.....
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheel. Ac.	7:00 am	7:45 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:30 am	* 7:45 am
Wheeling Express	* 1:05 pm	6:00 pm
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheeling.	* 4:35 pm	* 4:05 pm
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheel. Ac.	* 5:35 pm	* 8:45 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:50 pm	* 7:55 pm
LINES WEST VIA AKRON.		
Cleve., Akron & Youngst.	* 7:50 am	* 8:15 pm
Chicago & Cleveland	* 4:30 pm	* 3:15 pm
Chicago Limited (Leave Allegheny.)	* 8:05 pm	* 7:40 am
Butler	† 7:00 am	† 8:00 am
Butler	† 7:30 am	† 7:25 pm
Butler, Foxburg	† 8:15 am	† 5:10 pm
Butler and Erie	† 9:15 am	† 5:40 am
Butler	†10:40 am	† 9:40 pm
Butler and Erie	† 1:15 pm	† 1:00 pm
Butler, Clarion & Greenv.	† 3:00 pm	†10:25 am
Butler, Ellw'd, N. Castle	† 3:30 pm	† 9:45 am
Butler	† 6:15 pm	† 5:10 pm
Ellwood, New Castle	† 9:15 pm	† 9:40 am
Butler	*†11:30 pm	* 7:25 pm

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday. ‡Sunday only.

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The Pennsylvania Limited, daily	7.15 a. m.
New York Limited, daily	7.15 a. m.
Atlantic Express, daily	7.30 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily	8.00 a. m.
Day Express, daily	12.01 p. m.
Mail Express, daily	12.45 p. m.
Chicago Mail, daily for Baltimore and Washington	4.30 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily for Philadelphia and New York	4.55 p. m.
New York Express, daily for Philadelphia and New York	7.10 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily	9.00 p. m.
New York Special, daily, for New York only	10.00 p. m.
Philadelphia Special, daily, Sleeping cars to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. No coaches	10.00 p. m.

For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9.00 a. m. and 11.00 p. m. daily.

For Oil City, 6.22, 9.00 a. m., 1.30, 5.05 and 11.00 p. m., week-days. Sundays, 9.00 a. m., 5.05 and 11.00 p. m.

For Titusville and Corry, 9.00 a. m. and 11.00 p. m. daily. For Titusville only, 1.30 p. m. week-days.

For DuBois, 6.22, 9.00 a. m., 1.30 and 5.05 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9.00 a. m. and 5.05 p. m.

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Ohio and Toledo	* 8.30 am	* 5.50 pm
Indianapolis, Louisville, St. Louis	* 4.50 am	* 5.05 am
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8.00 am	* 8.40 pm
Alliance and Crestline	† 8.00 am	* 5.05 pm
Cleveland and Bellaire	† 8.20 am	* 7.05 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 8.20 am	* 2.55 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 8.20 am	* 1.05 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 8.30 am	* 3.20 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 4.30 pm	*10.55 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	† 8.30 am	† 5.50 pm
Ohio Valley Express	* 8.50 am	* 8.30 pm
Salem and Alliance	* 7.00 am	*10.40 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 1.00 am	* 1.50 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	* 7.25 am	* 4.55 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 7.30 am	† 8.55 pm
Mercer and Oil City	* 7.35 am	*10.35 am
Jamestown and New Castle	† 7.35 am	† 1.05 pm
Jamestown and New Castle	* 7.55 am	* 6.25 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	† 7.55 am	† 5.20 pm
The Cleveland Express	* 8.00 am	* 5.45 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8.00 am	* 5.50 pm
The Toledo Special	*11.30 am	* 8.35 pm
Columbus and Chicago	12.15 pm	* 7.00 pm
Youngstown, Ashtabula, Jamestown	†2.35 pm	† 8.50 pm
Jamestown and Ashtabula	† 3.30 pm	†10.05 pm
Cleveland and Bellaire	† 4.05 pm	† 1.05 pm
Alliance and Mansfield	† 4.05 pm	† 1.00 pm
The St. Louis Special	* 2.00 pm	* 2.15 pm
East Liverpool and Steubenville	† 4.00 pm	† 1.50 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 4.30 pm	† 1.55 pm
Mercer and Oil City	† 4.30 pm	† 8.50 pm
Niles and Youngstown	* 4.30 pm	† 1.50 pm
Jamestown, Youngstown and Niles	* 4.30 pm	† 1.05 pm
The Cleveland Special	* 5.00 pm	*11.10 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5.05 pm	† 8.40 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5.10 pm	† 9.10 am
Chicago Special	* 6.00 pm	* 3.15 pm
Columbus and Indianapolis	* 8.10 pm	* 3.55 am
The St. Louis Limited	* 5.10 pm	* 3.55 am
Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 8.15 pm	* 6.00 am
The Pennsylvania Limited	* 8.15 pm	* 3.00 am
Toledo and Detroit Express	* 8.30 pm	* 5.50 am
Beaver Falls and New Castle	†10.40 pm	* 5.40 am
Alliance and Cleveland	*11.00 pm	* 2.40 am

Leave for Washington, Pa., 6.00 am, 12.30 am, (2.30 pm, 10.45 am, 11.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 4.30 pm, 5.15 pm, 8.30 pm, 10.30 pm, 11.20 pm, 12.30 pm, *10.30 pm.

Leave for Wheeling, 10.40 am, *3.30 am, *11.40 am, 12.30 pm, 5.15 pm.

Leave for Dennison, *5.40 am, 12.30 pm.

Leave for Allegheny for Salem and Alliance, *8.55 pm.

*Every day. †Week days only. ‡Sundays only.

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CLEVELAND SHORT LINE.

Schedule in Effect Nov. 27, 1904.

CENTRAL TIME.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chicago & Cleve. "Flyer"	* 7.00 am	* 6.45 pm
Cleveland "Flyer"	* 7.00 am	* 6.30 pm
Youngst'n & Cleve. Mail	* 8.30 am	* 5.10 pm
Buffalo and Erie Express	† 8.30 am	† 7.15 pm
Buffalo and Eastern Exp.	†12.35 pm	† 7.15 pm
Lake Chaut'qua Fast Line	*12.20 pm	* 6.30 am
Buffalo and Erie Express	† 5.00 pm	* 9.45 pm
Cleveland and Chicago Ex.	* 2.26 pm	*12.30 pm
Boston Special	† 5.00 pm	* 9.50 am
Cleve. & Detroit "Flyer"	* 6.15 pm	*11.15 am
Chicago Limited	* 6.15 pm	* 6.35 pm
Buffalo and Cleveland Ex.	*10.30 pm	* 8.35 pm
Youngstown Accom.	† 5.50 am	* 8.55 am
Akron Accom.	† 6.40 am	* 5.30 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 8.00 am	† 5.20 pm
New Castle Accom.	†11.55 am	* 4.15 pm
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 3.30 pm	†12.15 am
New Castle Express	† 4.20 pm	* 7.50 am
New Castle Express	* 5.50 am	* 1.15 pm
Beaver Falls Express	† 9.25 pm	* 6.30 am
Brownsville Accom.	† 6.10 am	† 6.46 am
Brownsville & N. Hav. Ex.	* 8.00 am	* 8.00 am
McKeesp't & Brownsville	†11.50 am	†12.40 pm
Brownsville & N. Haven	† 3.30 pm	† 4.50 pm
Brownsville & N. Haven	* 6.20 pm	* 5.45 pm

P., C. & Y. trains for Carnegie, Bending and Beechmont, 5.30 a. m., 9.05 a. m.

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday. ‡Sunday only. †Note—Daily train (Sunday, Youngstown only).

City ticket office, 357 Fifth ave., Park bldg.

J. B. TOWD, Gen. Supt. L. A. ROBINSON, Gen. Pass. Agent. Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Central Time.	Depart.	Arrive.
Toledo and St. Louis	6:00 am	7:15 pm
Bridgeville and Hickory	10:00 am	1:00 pm
St. Louis and Kansas City	12:00 pm	4:00 pm
Bridgeville and Steubenville	4:30 pm	7:25 am
Chicago and St. Louis	7:30 pm	6:25 am

Pullman Sleepers and Free Reclining Chair Cars on through trains.

Full information regarding rates, etc., cheerfully furnished at City Ticket Office, 320 Fifth ave., or Ticket Office, Wabash Station.

WEST SIDE BELT.

Local trains leave Wabash Station, Pittsburgh, on Central time, at 6:30 am, 9:10 am, 2:05 pm, 4:40 pm. Trains arrive Pittsburgh 6:05 am, 7:35 am, 1:15 pm, 4:15 pm.

SOLONS WILL BE KEPT BUSY

Much Important Legislation Is to Be Asked for at Harrisburg This Winter.

PLANS OF GOV. PENNYPACKER

Pennsylvania's legislature will be asked to pass upon many important questions at the session which opens on January 3. There is every promise that by the first of February the legislative hopper will be filled to overflowing.

There is more than the usual interest in the forthcoming message of Gov. S. W. Pennypacker. There have been hints that the executive intends to recommend a number of important pieces of legislation. As he always surrounds his official acts with great secrecy, no one has been able to give a forecast of the subjects to be treated in the message.

Aside from anything the governor may have to offer, there has been much discussion of legislation of general interest. Pittsburgh will ask for a number of new laws and will share in the benefits of others. The most important legislation coming from this county will be the bill to pave the way for the erection of a greater city. It will probably be found this measure will finally be constructed along lines which have not been discussed by the several bodies that have been at work on the legislation. There is also a possibility the Greater Pittsburgh act will be accompanied by a law providing for a more suitable form of government than the present.

Additional Courts or Judges.

The Allegheny county bar is chiefly interested in the legislation designed to relieve the congestion in the local courts. What form these bills will take is to be determined early in January when the bar association meets for a discussion of the question. There is a hope that two courts can be secured, but there is a likelihood that Gov. Pennypacker will object to more than one. He is satisfied in his own mind that he is thoroughly capable to determine all questions concerning the increasing of the judiciary and the advocates of two courts will have to go to Harrisburg well armed with facts to substantiate their claims. If two courts cannot be gotten, effort will be made to secure one court and the appointment of one or two additional judges. The question of the constitutionality of the latter procedure has already been raised.

District Attorney Robert E. Stewart will seek legislation which will permit him to restore the bureau of county detectives. It was found the present laws do not give him the authority to name more than one detective. The need of a larger force has been demonstrated repeatedly and it is expected little difficulty will be experienced in securing the passage of a bill.

State Constabulary.

There has been much agitation throughout the state for the passage of a bill that will permit of the organization of a state constabulary. The frequent robberies and crimes of various kinds committed in the rural sections have shown the necessity for a police force that will not be hemmed in by township or county lines. The plan is to have the governor appoint the officers, whose terms will continue during good behavior. The promoters of the legislation have not determined on the number of the force, but believe the basis of apportionment should be both on the size and character of the population. These policemen would have the right to make arrests anywhere in the state and in the event of great crimes, like the murdering of paymasters and epidemics of burglaries, the force could be concentrated and soon run to earth the criminals. At present the rural districts have no protection against the raids of thieves and thugs harbored in some of the cities. As the appointment of the peace officers would be during good behavior, it is argued that the chance of graft would be removed and efficient service secured.

Apportionment and Registration.

Gov. Pennypacker will doubtless insist upon apportionment legislation. It is a subject in which this county is greatly interested. An increased representation in the house is desired and every effort will be made to secure it. So far the Republican state leaders have not indicated the position they will take. It is practically settled, however, that if Philadelphia is satisfied to reapportion the state into legislative districts, the bill will be put through. The combined votes of Philadelphia, Allegheny and the other counties benefited are almost sufficient to pass the legislation. A senatorial re-apportionment is not so probable.

There will be a great demand for personal registration. This is another question which has not been publicly discussed by the state leaders and there is known to be a division of opinion on the subject. The reform associations of the state are eager to have a personal registration act, as they believe it will assist materially in the purification of elections. The argument is also made that such legislation will strengthen the political machine, as the man of independent tendencies will neglect to register, while the organization will see that its friends are all qualified to vote. In this county the September registration showed 219,000 names on the rolls, while there were but 118,000 votes polled at the November election. The great majority of the extra 100,000 names represented men who had either died or removed from the county. Under the existing registry system there is no way of picking out the "dead" men, as most of the assessors are inefficient and there is no provision to compel them to do their work, without resorting to court proceedings.

May Change the Form of Ballot.

Many Republican county leaders will urge amendments to the present ballot law. Owing to the failure of thousands of the voters to understand how to vote a straight ticket, there was a big falling-off in the poll of all save the electoral tickets. A number of men prominent in the Republican organization have advocated a return to the ballot that permits the use of the party circle at the head of each column. Others argue that the troubles of the electors will not continue and the next election will find the voters educated to the use of the present ticket. This is borne out by the facts following the adoption of the Baker ballot.

There will be a test of strength between the temperance and liquor elements in the state, which promises to be the most interesting in recent years. Both sides have been at work among the members of the legislature to secure promises of support. The Anti-Saloon league has branches in every county and can bring much influence to bear upon many of the legislators. The same is true of the liquor dealers and the association of hotel men. These two organizations will pool issues to prevent the passage of any form of local option legislation and to secure a more liberal liquor law.

Some Trolley Legislation.

In addition to the old bill prohibiting electric railways to carry freight, there is to be some other legislation affecting the trolley. Effort is to be made to keep it off the public highways in the rural sections and to prevent the crossing of highways at grade. The farmer wants to make the electric line secure a private right of way, but as these corporations do not have the power of eminent domain and the steam railroads oppose the extension of this privilege to the railways, there will be much difficulty experienced in the passage of the legislation.

There is to be a revival of the attempt to prohibit trespassing on the right of way of steam roads. It will be argued that such legislation will prevent the great loss of life annually occurring in the state. Labor unions have always fought this bill as they believe such a law would be a hindrance to them in case of a strike.

Representative S. J. Smith of Indiana county expects to have a bill that will compel railroads to provide coal companies with the necessary cars to handle their business. A number of coal operators are said to be back of this legislation.

Concerning State Bridges.

Gov. Pennypacker is credited with a desire to have some radical changes made in the existing law providing for the erection of bridges in which the state has to bear a part of the expense. It has been found that this act has been traded on considerably by politicians in the past, when they were in search of delegates to state conventions. The governor wants the commonwealth to have more power than now accorded it. He will also probably advocate the reduction of the expense borne by the state from one-half to one-third, dividing the balance of cost between the counties interested.

Another important bill relative to bridges will be put in by Representative Kennedy of Beaver. He wants to free all toll bridges and have the state contribute a good share of the money.

Both factory inspector and the head of the pure food department of the state government will ask for legislation of an important character. The factory inspector will urge a bill that will prevent the employment of child labor in any establishment in the state. He will also take the boy operator off the elevator and exclude the girl of less than 16 years of age from the tobacco factory.

The retail grocers of the state will keep tab on the legislation proposed by the pure food department. They have established a laboratory at Altoona and will make an examination of all food offered to them for sale by the manufacturers and jobbers. In this way they also expect to protect themselves against any attempt to persecute them under the pure food laws.

OLD WOUND ENDS LIFE OF BRUNO PELUSI

Bruno Pelusi died yesterday as the result of a bullet wound received in New Kensington on September 1, in a fight with a policeman. Pelusi's son is in jail at Greensburg, sentenced for cutting another policeman on the same occasion.

Gave Purse to Pastor.

A purse of $50 was presented to the Rev. J. H. Main of the First Lutheran church, Sharpsburg, at the close of his sermon on "From Manger to Throne," yesterday evening.

The Death Roll.

Mrs. Sabina Townsend Clarke.

Mrs. Sabina Townsend Clarke, wife of Attorney Albert H. Clarke, a member of one of the oldest and most prominent Beaver county families, died suddenly at her home in New Brighton yesterday, aged 76. The funeral will be held from her late residence at 2 p. m. tomorrow. Mrs. Clarke was born in Fallston, Beaver county. She was the daughter of Robert Townsend, one of the county's pioneer settlers and the founder of the C. C. and E. P. Townsend Wire Company. She was a graduate of the Steubenville Female seminary. She married Mr. Clarke in 1854. Mrs. Clarke was one of the most tireless workers of the First Presbyterian church, and charitable organizations have lost an active leader. Mrs. Clarke leaves a husband, one daughter, Miss Mary C. Clarke, and one sister, Mrs. David Stanton, of New Brighton. Mrs. Clarke was a sister-in-law of Mrs. Sara Jane Lippincott (Grace Greenwood). She also leaves one sister-in-law, Mrs. W. P. Townsend of New Brighton. Ex-Congressman C. C. Townsend and President-of-Council Edward F. Townsend are nephews.

Mrs. Martha Jamison Arnold.

Mrs. Martha Jamison Arnold, aged 78, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John M. McCance, 326 Aiken avenue, after a short illness, due to pneumonia. Mrs. Arnold was born in Ireland and located in Allegheny city 70 years ago. Fifty years ago she married the Rev. George Cabot Arnold, then pastor of the First United Presbyterian church in Philadelphia, and had made her home here since. She is survived by Mrs. McCance and one son, George Cabot Arnold, assistant cashier of the Monongahela National bank. Funeral services will take place at the home of Mrs. McCance, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Andrew Conroy.

Andrew Conroy, aged 73, died yesterday morning from pneumonia at the home of John Naughton, 78 Brighton avenue, East Pittsburgh. Mr. Conroy was born in County Down, Ireland, and came to the United States 20 years ago. He was employed for years at the plant of the Westinghouse company, but had retired from active employment several years ago. He was a member of St. Coleman's Roman Catholic church, Turtle Creek. He had no relatives in this country.

Mrs. John Holleran.

Bridget L., wife of John Holleran, died yesterday from pneumonia at her home, 213 Bell avenue, North Braddock. She was born in Ireland, but had come to the United States in childhood. She was a member of St. Thomas' Roman Catholic church. Her husband and six children survive her.

Daniel H. Hickman.

Daniel H. Hickman, aged 71, a Civil war veteran, who received a gold medal from congress for conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Port Hudson batteries March 14, 1863, while serving on the United States battleship Richmond, is dead at Altoona.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. Charlotte Martin died Saturday at her home at Stockdale, Washington county, aged 78. William Martin of Allegheny is a son.

Hugh H. Price of Black River Falls, Wis., a congressman from Wisconsin in 1887 and 1888, has died in Denver, aged 45. He was a son of W. T. Price, for many years congressman from the Eighth Wisconsin district, and succeeded his father in congress.

DIED.

ARNOLD—On Sunday, December 25, 1904, at 4:20 a. m., MARTHA JAMISON ARNOLD, in the 78th year of her age.

Funeral services at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John M. McCance, 326 Aiken avenue, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

BOGGS—On Saturday morning, December 24, 1904, at his home, Sewickley township, Westmoreland county, Pa., ROBERT BOGGS, aged 77 years.

Funeral will leave residence on Tuesday, December 27, at 1:30 p. m., Services at Sewickley (Dick) United Presbyterian church, one hour later where the interment will be made. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

BOWMAN—On Friday, December 23, 1904, at 4:50 a. m., EDWARD P., husband of Emma Bier Bowman, in his 44th year.

Funeral services Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. George Dunlevy, 5853 Ellsworth avenue, East End. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

BROWN—On Saturday, December 24, 1904, at 9:20 o'clock p. m., at her residence, 74 Van Braam street, Mrs. ROSIE BROWN, wife of W. S. Brown, aged 34 years.

Funeral services this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CLARKE—On Sunday, December 25, 1904, SABINA M. CLARKE, wife of A. H. Clarke.

Funeral services at her late home, New Brighton, on Tuesday, December 27, 1904, at 2 o'clock.

DYER—On Sunday, December 25, 1904, at 12:55 o'clock, noon, ELIZABETH BRODIE, widow of Samuel Dyer, in her 76th year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 806 Washington street, Allegheny, on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Interment private on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. (Wheeling and Steubenville papers please copy.)

ETZEL—On Saturday, December 24, 1904, KARL, son of the late Frederick and Teressa Etzel, aged 5 years.

Funeral from the parent's residence, 52 Leland avenue, Allegheny, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

(New Jersey papers please copy.)

FITZSIMMONS—On Sunday, December 25, 1904, at 4 a. m., ROSE A. FITZSIMMONS.

Funeral from the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth McGurran, 1315 Washington avenue, Allegheny. Time of funeral will be announced later. Please omit flowers.

[Washington (D. C.) papers please copy.]

ISENBERG—On Sunday, December 25, 1904, at 6 a. m., at Wilkinsburg, Pa., CAROLINE ANNETTE, daughter of Edmund Russell and Mary Miller Isenberg (nee Shuman), at the residence of her parents, 1011 Mill street.

Notice of funeral later.

SEAMAN—On Friday, December 23, 1904, at 8:45 p. m., EDWIN M. SEAMAN, aged 64 years.

Funeral services Monday, December 26, at 3 p. m., at his late residence at Zelienople, Pa.

WOTRING—On Saturday, December 24, 1904, at 5 a. m., AMELIA WOTRING.

Funeral services at the residence of her brother-in-law, W. N. Howard, 914 North avenue West, Allegheny, on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Interment at Washington, Pa., on arrival of 10 o'clock train from Pittsburgh.

FLORAL EMBLEMS.
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Tel. 1153 Grant.
121 EIGHTH STREET, PITTSBURGH.

LARKIN PREPARES HIS FINANCIAL HISTORY

Again Predicts Low Tax Levy and Defends His Record for Three Years.

People who have been wondering why Controller Larkin has stopped his supply of "figgers" will get enough within a couple of days to supply the largest possible demand. The controller is at work on the financial history of the three years of his administration and tomorrow or the next day he will issue for publication a statement which will be a veritable encyclopedia of facts and figures bearing on the subject of city taxation, indebtedness, appropriations, expenditures and revenues.

During his silence of the past several weeks the controller has been gathering this mass of data to issue as a campaign document. In this statement the controller will endeavor to explain why he has not been able to introduce the 10-mill tax era and add a prediction that the levy for 1905 may be at least 13 mills.

He will also endeavor to prove that taxation and the bonded indebtedness of the city have been reduced since he has been controller, also that he has wiped out a million-dollar deficit and instituted many reforms in his office and the city administration generally, for which the taxpayers and voters of Pittsburgh should be thankful. The controller has been burning midnight oil many nights in preparing this document, and he is now giving it the finishing touches.

After-Christmas Bargains for this week in
Velvet Suits
Blues, browns and blacks—Smartest suits of the year—$75, $85 and $100 values at
$60 EACH
Not all sizes—A great bargain if we can fit you.
Silk Waists All Reduced.
J. G. BENNETT & CO.
New Stores,
WOOD ST. AND FIFTH AVE.

BASS ALE ON DRAUGHT
AT LEADING CAFES, HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS
BASS RATCLIFF & GRETTON Ltd.
BURTON-ON-TRENT, ENGLAND
BRANCHES NEW YORK, BOSTON, CHICAGO.

2% On Check Accts.
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Tooth Powder
New Patent Top Can. Compare quantity and quality with others. Sozodont is economy.

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TERHEYDEN
RELIABLE JEWELER
530 SMITHFIELD ST.
50 YEARS IN ONE LOCATION

The undersigned trustee of the bankrupt estate of Albert H. Sauer will expose at

PUBLIC SALE
January 10, 1905, at 3 O'Clock P. M.,

at the place of business of said bankrupt,

507 Shaw Avenue, McKeesport, Pa.,

hardwood and slate mantels, tile, gas stoves and office furniture, and in the meantime will receive offers for any portion of said stock at private sale.

CHAS. W. V. FEIGEL, Attorney.
N. J. TRIMBELL, Trustee.

JACKSONS

A Merry Xmas to All.
St. Nicholas day today; our day tomorrow—
Special sale new belted overcoats.
$12 and $13.50.
"Match us if you can"
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954 and 956 Liberty St.

MARRON AND McGIRR,
Attorneys-at-Law,
FRICK BUILDING,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

AUCTION SALE
Executor's Sale of
VALUABLE
REAL ESTATE
on the premises,
No. 7002 Hamilton Ave.
Cor. of Murtland St.,
21st Ward, Pittsburgh, Pa.,
Saturday, Jan. 14, 1905
AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

All that certain lot or piece of ground situate as above, and known as the property of Celia C. Schoeller (deceased), having a front of 50 feet in Hamilton avenue, extending back and paralleling Murtland street 107.43 feet to a 14-foot alley, thence along said alley 72.72 feet to the line of property of H. Swoger, along Swoger property 105 feet to Hamilton avenue, the property being 22.72 feet wider in rear than in front and having erected thereon a two-story and mansard frame dwelling, containing eleven rooms and bath, laundry, etc., also a one-story frame store building situate on rear of lot and corner of alley and Murtland street.

TERMS OF SALE

One-half of purchase money on delivery of deed, balance in one year, secured by tight bond and mortgage. 10 per cent of purchase money will be required at time of sale.

GEO. JOHNSTON, AUCTIONEER, 401 Wood st.
F. C. M'GIRR, EXECUTOR, Frick Building.

HOME TRUST COMPANY
Directly opposite McCreery's.
A Reliable Bank. At Wood St. and 6th Ave.

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 315.)

AN ORDINANCE Naming an unnamed alley in the Third ward, south of and parallel with Fairmount street, from Federal street to Boyle street, "Patrick Place."

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an unnamed alley in the Third ward, south of and parallel with Fairmount street, from Federal street to Boyle street, be and the same is hereby named "Patrick Place."

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 16th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

Attest:
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.

Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.

JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 310.)

AN ORDINANCE—Vacating the east sidewalk of Marion avenue, First ward, from Ohio street to the south line of Ridge avenue, and the same to be made into park.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the east sidewalk of Marion avenue, First ward, from Ohio street to the south line of Ridge avenue, be and the same is hereby vacated according to accompanying plan, and the same to be made into park.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 16th day of December, A. D. 1904.

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JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

B. & B.
STORE CLOSED TODAY.
day after christmas

Tomorrow—Tuesday, December 27—is the great Sale Day of the year at this store.

All Fancy Holiday Goods, Art Pottery, Bronzes, Italian Marble and China at Half Price.

$50.00 items, $25.00.
$20.00 items, $10.00.
$10.00 items, $5.00.
$2.00 items, $1.00.
50c items, 25c.
10c items, 5c.

Big lot fine odd China Plates, Art Plates and Chop Plates, 50c to $7.00 each, at half price, 25c to $3.50.
Table of Blue and White Decorated 10c Plates, 5c.
Assorted Decorations, 15 and 25c German China Plates, 10c.
Gold trimmed Decorated Porcelain Coffee Cups and Saucers, 5c for the two pieces.

Chipped or damaged China and Art Pottery, both from retail and wholesale China Department will be out on third floor sorted into price lots, 5, 10, 25 and 50c and $1.00.

Cut Glass is not half—a large and handsome stock all re-marked in plain figures with 25 per cent taken off.

Lamps and Globes—and a stock of superb ones, $3.50 to $50.00 at half, $1.75 to $25.00.

Christmas Scrap Baskets and Fancy Baskets, Half Price.

Toys and Dolls Half Price—it's to be a large third floor clean-up.

There are some few lines of staple Toys that are not included in the Sale, as the Toys and Sporting Goods are a fixed department, open all the year.

Some lines and some slightly scuffed Housefurnishing department goods Half Price.

Pictures—all in the Sale—and they are hundreds—25c to $20.00 ones—Half Price—13c to $10.00.
Watercolors and Pastels included—Pictures for Parlors, Bedrooms, Halls and Dens—it will be an after Christmas Sale of Pictures as never known.
Framed Tapestries, Odd Screens and odd pieces of Furniture, Pedestals and Teakwood, Half Price.

Lot of 50c Colored Unframed Pictures and 50c Remarque Etchings on Japanese Vellum, 15c.

Books—all soiled Books—Novels and Standard Works. Poets and Religious Books and Fancy Bound Books, Boys' and Girls' and Toy Books, Bibles and Prayer Books—all soiled Books Half Price.
Lot of two-volume Setts Half Price. | It will be a great day for Book lovers.

Silverware and Jewelry—There's where beautiful things are and great variety—not all, but thousands of items—all that are put out to sell will be Half Price—whether 50c or $100.00.

Leather Goods—this is where there is to be a clean-up of importance—Pocketbooks, Hand Bags, Chatelaines, Card Cases, Cigar Cases, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Portfolios, Desk Pads, Desk Setts, Jewel Boxes, Opera Bags, Art Nouveau Leather Goods, Belts, to Traveling Bags and Suit Cases.
Hose Supporters, Hair Ornaments, Work Baskets and other items in the Notion Department, Half Price.

Perfumes in Baskets and Christmas Packages—other high-class Perfumes, Toilet Waters, etc., Triplicate Mirrors, Military Brushes, Toilet and Manicure Setts, and other Fancy Articles that have suffered loss in appearance, though not in merit—Half Price.

All Soiled and Mussed Handkerchiefs and Mufflers, Half Price.
Men's Neckwear likewise.

Ladies' Neckwear Department never did such a business—all that show the slightest soil, or numbers that didn't sell well that are clean and fresh, at Half Price and less—from a 25c Collar and Cuff Set to $50.00 Dressy Neckwear.
Large lot broken lines ladies' Collar and Cuff Setts and Collars separately.
25c ones, 5 and 10c.
50c ones at 15 and 25c.
$1.00 ones at 35 and 50c.

Art Department—everything there of Fancy Holiday kind, staple items excepted—and there are low priced pretty things, and exquisite high priced decorative articles—Half Price.

Laces and Dress Trimmings—some beautiful things slightly soiled from the great Christmas rush, and inexpensive things will be marked at prices that will make them mighty attractive.
What 5 cents or up to $20.00 will buy in the Lace Aisle tomorrow will be quite unusual.

Fancy Linens and Staple Linens—Tablecloths and Napkins—all the least bit soiled, all out and priced to make it the Linen Day of the year.

All the Christmas Shirtwaist Patterns and what Dress Patterns are left—each in a box—will be sold at such reduced prices as will make eager buying.

All Soiled Blankets, Robes, Crochet and Satin Marseilles Quilts, Comforts and Eiderdowns are priced so that people will get the useful and save a lot of Dollars.

Furs—some lots of Furs in this Day-After Christmas Sale—not half—but mighty interesting reductions—Muffs, Scarfs, Boas, Cravats, Pelerines and Fancy Collars—Nearseal and Sealskin and Persian Lamb Coats.

Four lots of Waists price stricken to make that section a place to get to tomorrow.
Dollar and $1.50 Novelty Cloth Waists, 75c.
Two to $3.00 ones, $1.50.
$5.00 Peau de Soie Waists, $2.50.
Six to $7.50 Fancy Trimmed Waists, $4.50.

This 1904 Day-After Christmas Clean-up Sale is to make a record.

We purpose to make this Sale of extraordinary interest—not only for the people of Greater Pittsburgh, but for the entire surrounding territory.

This advance notice is given so that all who wish so to do can arrange to come on early morning trains.

Sale starts at 8 a. m., when the store opens, on every floor in the house.

So that everybody gets an equal chance—no goods by request, either personal or by telephone, will be laid aside—all go into the open Sale.

Just on the lines and prices as above stated.

Muslinwear—Sale tomorrow—all the Mussed and Soiled 1904 Muslinwear and some odd lots—Corset Covers, Chemise, Drawers, Gowns, Petticoats and Short Underskirts—including French handmade Underwear—any of any kind that's not perfectly fresh to be sold out.
Some Half Price, some less than Half Price—others not so much, but all so priced as to make a sale worth attending.

Embroideries—1904 Soiled Embroideries and Broken Match Setts that are clean and fresh, and all odd lots and odd pieces to be sold out tomorrow at such prices there'll be a cleaning up that will pay to be here for.

BOGGS & BUHL, Allegheny.

WHOLESALE NOTICE:
Commencing tomorrow wholesale buyers will find year-end cleaning-up prices. Dress Goods to Flannelettes at prices that will clean.

Always Remember the Full Name
Laxative Bromo Quinine
Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days
E. W. Grove
on every box. 25c

XMAS BUSINESS WELL-CLEARED

Mail Carriers and Expressmen Will Make Quick Distribution This Morning.

NO CONGESTION OF GIFTS

The minions of Santa Claus this year are a prompt lot. The expressmen and the mail carriers of Pittsburgh have been doing yeoman service in delivering the stores of good things which the bewhiskered old man with the reindeer team brought to cheer thousands of happy homes. With one delivery of the mail this morning augmented by 25 extra carriers and several teams, all the holiday business accumulated at the local postoffice and the branch stations will be cleared up. The express companies make the same report.

Comparatively few packages remain to be delivered this morning. The bulk of the business was handled on Saturday and 75 per cent of the gifts in Pittsburgh were ready for enjoyment on Christmas morning. The out-of-town business has been cleared from here with good indications for prompt delivery at its destination.

The corridors of the Pittsburgh postoffice yesterday presented a strange contrast to the busy scenes which were witnessed there all week. Where hundreds of people had thronged about the stamp windows, registry department and the weighing counters, a few belated, lonesome looking people stood idly in the corridor or else peered wistfully in the general delivery window for the letter perhaps that did not come. To the stranger in the city, Christmas is always a dreary day, and its gloominess is intensified when there comes no message from loved ones to cheer the idler.

Behind the screen of lock-boxes, however, there was no sign of apathy at the postoffice. Over 100 carriers were there yesterday morning. Before them stood stacks of letters and parcels and they worked through the forenoon to make the assortment in order that they can make prompt deliveries this morning. They returned a few hours last night to distribute the final assortment.

The mailcarrier will be given a half holiday this afternoon and will start on his route early this morning. The men who have the thickly settled East End residence districts will have extra carriers and teams will be taken in some instances to transport the bulky packages. It is estimated by the postoffice employes that there is an average of two parcels for each house in the East End this morning.

Over 100 wagons were kept on the go yesterday morning by the offices of the express companies in Pittsburgh. Their work was quickly cleared up and a few hours this morning will suffice to enable the employes to sweep their platforms and return to their homes in time to enjoy their Christmas dinner.

"Christmas business this season is in excess of last year," said C. H. Hiner, manager of the Pittsburgh office of Adams Express Company. "But the packages have been delivered in such a manner that there has been no congestion and it has been a very satisfactory week all around. There was no car shortage. The fact that the people started sending their goods early in the week gave us a chance to systemize our work. Extra box cars were pressed into service on the Pennsylvania railroad and with these we handled the local service with dispatch. The business through Pittsburgh averaged 240 cars a day."

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE WAS ABLY MAINTAINED

Sunday Gazette Was Filled With Features, Facts and Pictures, Offering Rare Menu for Readers.

The same standard of excellence which characterizes each issue of The Pittsburgh Sunday Gazette, was manifest in the number given to the ever-increasing army of readers yesterday. It is doubtful if a more pleasing array of feature articles has been offered than that of this week. They were on subjects most appropriate to the season, and were handled in masterful and entertaining vein. The pictures were high-class and the department devoted to women could scarcely have been improved upon. The news of the world was told succinctly, and an entire day's interesting reading was to be found in the various sections.

Russia outlined her defense in the North sea matter. Nearly the entire Russian garrison was sacrificed when the Japanese captured the fort at East Kekwan. England, France and Germany may mediate to stop the war. Russia prepared another squadron to follow Rojestvensky's fleet. Cossacks cross the Liao river to spy on the Japanese.

A million and a half people left London to spend Christmas in the country. France proposes to seize Moroccan ports to enforce reparation. A delegate who declared for the ending of the war was cheered at a meeting of an agricultural society at Moscow, Russia.

The interstate commerce commission is preparing to prosecute corporations violating the rules of rate division. Gov. Odell of New York is asked to grant the extradition of Dr. Chadwick for removal to Ohio. The attempt to conceal the suicide of R. Humphreys Roberts of Pittsburgh has caused trouble in the coroner's office of New York. Railroad companies are slow in placing orders for rails. President Roosevelt asks for criminal prosecutions for violations of the anti-smoke law of the District of Columbia. A liquor dispensary law is planned by the Republican leaders of West Virginia.

The proprietor of a pool room and restaurant at Colonia was killed and robbed. A boarding house mistress was fatally stabbed at Scenery Hill, Washington county, by an Austrian when she asked him for money, and an American killed the foreigner and fled. The father of Mabel Spang announced that she will be released from the asylum.

Justice W. P. Potter discussed the regulation of trusts. The Democrats elected delegates to the city convention. Many homes were made sad for Christmas by accidents in the Monongahela valley. Despite the sleet many umbrella-armed shoppers filled the downtown streets on Christmas eve. Andrew Carnegie sends checks for $55,000 each to Braddock and Homestead for the improvements to the libraries at those places during the year. Wick China Company filed its schedule, showing $82,945 liabilities and $51,309 assets. Thomas Mahoney takes the camera patent case to the United States court of appeals. The Pittsburgh Railways Company has agreed to pay the city an old debt. Many downtown stores were left in utter darkness on Christmas eve by the Allegheny County Light Company. The failure of the Butler street gates in the city water system to work properly cuts out city water supply, stops the Pennsylvania railroad trains, darkens many buildings and causes innumerable other troubles. Bishop Phelan's last official act was to authorize a Christmas collection for the orphans.

Patsy Flaherty, the Pirate pitcher, has decided not to accept the offer to coach the Beloit college team. There is prospect of a match between Jimmy Britt and Jabez White, the English champion. Local bowlers made a great showing on the alleys during the week. The Pirates' spring practice trip may be changed and some time spent at West Baden springs. The New York players are not showing a disposition to sign contracts and trouble is apparently in store for Manager McGraw. There were many lively basketball games and some close scores in local contests.

Stock and grain exchanges all over the country were closed for the holidays. New York bank loans decreased $2,627,500 and the surplus reserve increased $700,600 for the week.

Cut in Wrestling Bout.

John Gurginch, a Slav, of 2228 Beaver avenue, Allegheny, is in St. John's hospital suffering from a serious cut in the back of his neck. It is said he was wrestling with Joseph Fucher, another Slav, at his home and was thrown upon a table heaped with broken beer bottles. Fucher became alarmed over the affair and fled.

Southern Railway.

THE LINE TO FLORIDA, Georgia and the Carolinas. Route of the Southern's Palm Limited through Washington.

Chicago and Florida Special, through Cincinnati.

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Call on initial agents, Pittsburgh, mentioning Southern Railway, or write L. S. Brown, General Agent, Washington, D. C.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

CLOSED ALL DAY TODAY

Double Globe Stamps Till Noon Tuesday.

1,000 lbs. Pure Mixed Candy, per pound. 5c

The Leader DEPARTMENT STORE

212 to 244 FIFTH AVE. THRU TO 237 to 241 DIAMOND ST.

FASTEST GROWING STORE IN GREATER PITTSBURGH.

One-Half Price and Less For Tuesday

To wind up an enormous Xmas trade we name for Tuesday and Wednesday the deepest cut prices offered anywhere on every particle of Holiday stock.

1/2 Off All Doll Dishes, Toy Books, Smoker Sets, Inkstands, Toilet Sets, Bronze Figures, Work Boxes, Etc.

1/2 Off All Holiday Bric-a-Brac, Vases, Fancy China, Picture Frames, from $1 to $18, Oil Paintings, Odds and Ends of Pictures.

1/2 Off Ladies' Neckwear, consisting of hundreds of slightly soiled Stocks, Jabots, Fancy Collars, Etc.

Tremendous Clearance Sale of Women's Suits.

Women's $12 & $15 Suits, $4.88

Over 100 Women's Suits, made of broadcloths, cheviots, venetians and fancy mixtures, odds and ends of a busy season, some only one of a kind, all colors and black, some silk lined, others lined with satin, but not one among the entire lot could be bought for anything near the price we quote. The skirts alone are worth double the price..... $4.88

$2.50 Walking Skirts for $1.22

Made of all-wool Meltons, in Black, Blue or Grey, plainly tailored, with full flare, heavily stitched bottom. These Skirts are most excellent value and very serviceable. All Sizes, cut from $2.50 to..... $1.22

Half and Less Than Half for These

Ladies' Handkerchiefs—300 dozen slightly soiled from holiday handling; 10c, 12½c and 15c goods..... 4c

200 Dolls, dressed and undressed, soiled; worth up to 25c..... 5c

100 Ladies' and Men's Taffeta Umbrellas; worth up to $4, while they last..... $1.50

Men's up to $2 Pocketbooks and Card Cases, 98c; value up to $1, now..... 48c

Men's 50c Cashmere Mufflers..... 24c

Men's Fancy Silk Suspenders, worth $1.50..... 69c

Men's $1 Neckwear, all shapes..... 48c

Men's 25c Neckwear, 4-in-Hands and Tecks..... 15c

Men's Initial Handkerchiefs; broken lots of 10c kind..... 5c

Fancy Aprons, Japanese Kimonos, Eiderdown Dressing Sacques, Silk Petticoats, etc. All at Greatest Reductions.

GEO. B. BARRETT CO.

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Everything for Retail Jewelers.
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TAILOR,
503 Market Street, Second Floor.

GAZETTE CLASSIFIED ADS ARE NOT CHEAP; BUT WORTH THE MONEY

WONDERFUL FUR BARGAINS
For Those Who Come Tomorrow

Our Christmas trade in Furs broke all records. This has been the most successful season in the history of the department. Our stock of Furs was conceded to be much the finest in the city and our values unequaled. But now the stock is depleted and we are going to clear out the remainder by naming prices lower than such goods have ever been sold for under any circumstances.

We cannot impress too strongly upon you that there are some truly wonderful bargains in this sale. There are no finer Furs nor more up-to-date styles in the country than these. You really owe it to yourself to see them. And if you find what you want the saving will be enormous. The major part of the season for Furs is still to come and everything is in your favor. Was someone you wished to remember overlooked in your Christmas giving? This is a splendid opportunity to "make good" and save money as well.

We shall not attempt to describe these Furs. You know what Weisser quality is and you know that we always state values exactly as they are. This is

THE STORE THAT NEVER DISAPPOINTS.

All our $15, $16.50 and $18 Fur Scarfs, in sable fox, Isabella fox, mink, blue fox, squirrel, marten and lynx reduced to... $10

Pelerines and Shawl-shape Scarfs, shoulder capes with tabs, in Isabella and sable fox, squirrel, lynx (black and natural) and a few minks; were $25; now..... $15

Tremendous Saving in Muffs

$18 and $20 sable and Isabella fox Muffs—one, two, three and four-stripes; reduced to.. $12.50

Fifty squirrel Muffs that were $10 and $12.50, reduced to..... $6.50

$25 Mink Muffs reduced to..... $15

Three $30 Mink Muffs reduced to..... $20

Children's Furs Half Price

All Children's Furs, without any reserve or exception, will be sold at half-price.

Eighteen Nearseal Coats

sizes 32 to 46; formerly sold at $50 apiece and splendid value at that price; reduced to..... $29

Rare Values in Rich Scarfs

Blended baum marten Scarfs, in various shapes—$35 values reduced to..... $25

One $50 blended baum marten Scarf, now..... $30

$65 blended baum marten Scarf, now..... $39

Five blended baum marten Muffs that were $50, now..... $30

Two Extraordinary Scarf Bargains

One lot of $3, $4 and $5 Scarfs reduced to $1.90 and..... $1.50

A lot of $10 Scarfs in Isabella and sable fox, marten, mink, wolf, etc., reduced to.... $4.90

Wraps, Jackets, Coats and Suits at Clearance Prices.

Not in the Fur department alone, but all over the house prices have been cut to the bone. You will find the most sensational bargains it has ever been your good fortune to experience in wraps, jackets, coats and suits, and an assortment that makes choosing a delight.

There'll be a great rush for these bargains. Many people have been waiting for this event. Come early tomorrow (Tuesday). You'll regret it if you miss this sale.

THE STORE THAT NEVER DISAPPOINTS.

WEISSER, LOW & CO.
435 and 437 Market Street.

This Is Bargain Week
Extraordinary Reductions
¼ and ⅓ Less Than Regular Prices

Come, Take Your Pick of This Holiday Stock of Furniture

This store always marks all goods in plain figures, the old tickets remain on goods, can see your saving at a glance.

As we take stock January 2nd don't want to carry one piece over and won't if price-cutting is any inducement to you.

If inconvenient to pay all cash, will allow liberal discount and charge it.

Speer & Hollar, 914 Penn Avenue

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(No. 317.)

AN ORDINANCE—Transferring from various appropriations to item No. 6, appropriation No. 11, bureau of highways and sewers the sum of ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the sum of ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars is hereby transferred to item No. 6, appropriation No. 11, bureau of highways and sewers, from the following appropriations:

$4,000.00 from item No. 1, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys.

$1,000.00 from item No. 2, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys.

$1,000.00 from item No. 1, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water.

$4,000.00 from item No. 4, appropriation No. 18, bureau of markets.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 19th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 313.)

AN ORDINANCE—Changing the location of Western avenue, First and Second wards, from a point opposite the intersection of the north line of Western avenue and the west line of the Railroad bridge, and distant three hundred and fifteen (315) feet westward of Marion avenue, to Irwin avenue, according to accompanying plan, and as herein described.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That Western avenue, First and Second wards, from a point opposite the intersection of the north line of Western avenue and the west line of the Railroad bridge, and distant three hundred and fifteen (315) feet westward of Marion avenue to Irwin avenue, be and the same is hereby located according to accompany plan. The center line thereof being described as follows:

Beginning on the center line of Western avenue at a point opposite the intersection of the north line of Western avenue and the west line of the Railroad bridge, and distant three hundred and fifteen (315) feet west of Marion avenue, where the width of Western avenue is eighty feet; thence curving to the right with a radius of two hundred (200) feet until an angle of forty-two degrees and twenty minutes (42 degrees and 20 minutes), is reached for a distance of one hundred forty-eight and twenty-three one hundredths (148.23) feet to a point, where the width of the street is seventy (70) feet; thence

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westward on the tangent of said curve a distance of five hundred and thirty-seven (537) feet to a point; thence curving to the left with a radius of four hundred and ten (410) feet until an angle of forty-one degrees and seven minutes (41 degrees 7 minutes) is reached a distance of two hundred and ninety-eight and eighty-five one hundredths (298.85) feet to the west curb line of Irwin avenue, where the width of Western avenue is still seventy (70) feet.

The damages caused thereby and the damages caused by the grade thereof and the benefits to pay the same to be assessed and collected in accordance with the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this, 16th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

Attest:
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 311.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the mayor and the director of the department of public safety to advertise for proposals and award the contract for the disposal of dead animals in and throughout the city of Allegheny.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the mayor and the director of the department of public safety be and are hereby authorized and ordered to advertise for proposals and award the contract for the disposal of dead animals in and throughout the city of Allegheny for a period of three years from November 1, 1904, in accordance with an ordinance in relation thereto, and the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

Sec. 2. The said cost and expenses thereof to be paid out of appropriation No. 7, item No. 1, bureau of health.

Sec. 3. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 16th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

Attest:
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

Closed today——Annual "half-off" sale, tomorrow

IT'S our annual custom to inaugurate right after Christmas a half-off-sale of all remaining Holiday Goods. It's an unrestricted mark-down of all small and broken lots, all odds and ends, the residue of our immense Christmas stocks.

EVERY department is represented to a greater or less degree in this half-price sale, even though not mentioned in this announcement. Remember, the original price-ticket remains on every article---all you pay is---just half of what the ticket calls for.

Entire stock of toys and dolls at HALF price

Nothing whatever is reserved. Go through our entire stock of toys and dolls, select what you will, and pay only one-half the plainly marked price---just half the price the article sold for up until Saturday night.

1/2 OFF Fancy boxes

ALL kinds of fancy boxes are included in this half-price sale—boxes for handkerchiefs, boxes for jewelry, etc., etc.; also celluloid toilet cases, manicure sets, etc.

A lot of toilet cases at half price.
A lot of manicure sets at half price.
A lot of work boxes at half price.
A lot of collar and cuff boxes at half price.
A lot of handkerchief boxes at half price.
A lot of glove boxes at half price.
A lot of shaving sets at half price.
A lot of photo boxes at half price.

Leather goods at ½ off

A lot of fine imported leather pocketbooks (not our entire stock) **at half marked prices.**

A lot of fine carriage, envelope, hand and opera bags (not our entire stock), **at half marked prices.**

Umbrellas at ½ off

Our entire stock of men's and women's umbrellas, marked $7, $8, $9, $10, $11, $12, $13, $14 and $15, go at just **half the marked prices.**

1/2 OFF Bronzes, jewelry & silverware

BRONZES of every description and character, all sorts of subjects—go at one-half price, irrespective of their artistic beauty or worth.

Electroliers—bronze effect, large and small—**at half the marked prices.**

Curios, fancy articles, real bronzes, miniatures, ivories, filigree silver articles, etc., **at half marked prices.**

A lot of fancy gold boxes, jewel boxes, inkstands and other fancy novelties, all placed on separate counters, to go **at half the marked prices.**

Sterling goods—not our entire stock, but hundreds of articles, all placed on large separate tables—**at half the marked prices.**

A lot of high class opera and side bags—in bead, gold and silver (not our entire stock), **at half the marked prices.**

A lot of imported jewelry—such as brooches, belt pins, belt buckles, etc., **at half the marked prices.**

All our women's fancy set solid gold rings at half the marked prices.

Our entire stock of fancy mounted back and side combs, **at half the marked prices.**

Lot of women's fancy belts (not our entire stock), **at half price.**

About 350 clocks—French and German makes, ranging in price from $2 to $5, now go at just half what they're marked.

1/2 OFF Art wares

THE art wares included in this half-off sale embrace art products of France, Austria, Germany, England, China and Japan; beautiful products of famous ateliers, and worth their full value price—but out they go at 50% reduction.

The assortment includes many high art pieces of which there are no duplicates—Royal Vienna vases—Austrian Vienna vases—Royal Teplitz vases—Royal Bonn vases—hand-painted Limoges china placques—Moringe Satsuma and other fine Japanese ornaments and vases—Forrester's English wares—fine Royal Teplitz vases and figures—Royal Bayreuth vases and ornaments—Italian marble pedestals—French, German and American bronzes, etc., etc. All these goods have been placed on special tables from which you can take your choice at just **half the marked price.**

1/2 OFF China

WE have put all the china to be sold at half price on special counters—making choosing as easy as possible. All you have to do is to look at the old price mark and pay the saleslady just half.

Fancy china sets—fish sets—game sets—ice cream sets—fruit sets—pudding sets—bread and milk sets—oatmeal sets—cup, saucer and plate sets—salad sets, etc., of French, German and Japanese china, all most artistically decorated, a few slightly scratched but the most without a blemish. Christmas is over, so they go at **half the marked prices.**

Fancy china pieces—such as cracker jars, chocolate pots, cheese dishes, hot cake dishes, fancy salad dishes, cabarets for fruits, nuts or salads, fruit bowls, syrup jugs, marmalade jars, sugar and cream sets, relish dishes, mayonnaise dishes, etc. French, German and Japanese china, all beautifully shaped and decorated—placed on special tables and choice offered at **half the marked prices.**

Perfumes at ½ off

YOU can buy all boxed holiday perfumes and some toilet soaps at exactly half what they were marked before Christmas. Here for instance:

All boxed perfumes, including the best makes, marked 25c, go at half price, 12½c.

All perfume atomizers marked $1, go tomorrow at 50c.

Sachet envelopes marked 10c, go tomorrow at 5c.

Violet toilet water marked 50c, tomorrow at 25c.

1/2 OFF Books

HERE'S a splendid chance to start a library or add to the one you already have, at little cost. Thousands of books go at half price. Standard literature, including fiction, history, essays, biographies, etc., etc.

To give a complete list of the books that go at half price would require almost this entire page. Of course, many of them are slightly scuffed or finger-marked. The following offers will give you an idea of the character of books that are embraced in this half price sale.

11 copies of "The Mountains," by Stewart Edward White—former price $1.50, now **75c.**

9 copies of "In Love's Garden," by John Cecil Clay—former price $2.25, now **1.13.**

12 copies of "Monarch, the Big Bear," by Ernest Thompson-Seton—former price $1.25, now **63c.**

17 copies of "A Defective Santa Claus," by James Whitcomb Riley—former price $1, now **50c.**

7 copies of "The Castaways," former price $1, now **50c.**

5 copies of "The Madigans," by Miriam Michelson—former price $1.08, now **54c.**

19 copies of "Old Gorgon Graham," by George Horace Lorimer, former price $1.08, now **54c.**

12 copies of "The Cynic's Calendar," by Ethel W. Mumford, former price 75c, now **38c.**

9 copies of "Susan Clegg and Mrs. Lathrop," by Anna Warner—former price 72c, now **38c.**

17 copies of Henry A. Shute's "Sequil"—former price 75c, now **38c.**

Also numerous other late copyright publications of which we've only one or two copies of a title left, **at half price.**

The Handy Volume Classics—in fine cloth and leather bindings, **at half price.**

Fine gift books of all descriptions—various styles of binding, in sets and single volumes, **at half price.**

Our entire stock of library sets—all in perfect condition, all the standard authors represented, fine cloth and leather bindings, **at one-third off marked prices.**

Famous poets—in padded leather binding—former price 89c, now **45c.**

Cloth-bound books—all the popular authors represented, former prices 25c and 29c, now **15c.**

Standard books—in fine half leather bindings, good assortment of titles—former prices 50c and 59c, now **29c.**

Several counters full of illustrated children's books, linen books, rag books, etc., at **half the marked prices.**

Holiday stationery—all our fancy holiday boxes at **half the marked prices.**

Lot of leather writing tablets, ink-stands, etc., at **half the marked prices.**

1/2 OFF Calend'rs and booklets

OUR entire stock of Calendars, Christmas Cards and Booklets, without reserve or exception, now goes at half the marked prices. Why not send out a few on New Year's?

1/2 OFF Table silver

HERE'S a chance to secure the products of the best known silver factories of this country and Europe at just **half price.**

All the goods that go at half price have been placed on separate counters. You'll find tea sets, artistically designed epergnes, fruit dishes, chocolate sets, water sets, egg sets, punch bowls, wine coolers, fern dishes, mocca sets, soup tureens, nut bowls, candelabras, etc, etc. There are only one, two or three pieces or sets of a kind—that's why they **go at half price.**

½ off lamps

Several hundred choice specimens of fine metal and decorated banquet and reception lamps (also odd fancy globes to match your lamps)—wrought iron lamps and cozy corner lamps and candelabra—choice tomorrow at **half the marked prices.**

Fine bronze electroliers and electric portables; also many fine gas portables at **half the marked prices.**

1/2 OFF Pictures

ALL pictures to go at half price have been placed in rooms A, B, C and D of the picture gallery. There are thousands of them—all kinds, watercolors, facsimiles, three-color process, steel engravings, etchings, artotypes, photogravures, platinum plate pictures in ebony frames—popular medallions, large and small—landscapes, scenes of life and people, portraits, etc. You can choose from them all at just half their pre-Christmas prices.

½ off notions—all the fancy hairpin cabinets, needle books, novelty tape measures, fancy hose supporters, etc., that are in any way mussed or soiled, go tomorrow at **half marked prices.**

½ off neckwear

All the odds and ends of women's neckwear, neck ruffs, ties and collars, lace stocks, etc., all more or less soiled and mussed, go tomorrow at **half the marked prices.**

Women's neckwear marked 25c, tomorrow at half off, or only 12½c.

Women's neckwear marked 48c to 59c, goes tomorrow at half off, or only **25c.**

1/2 OFF Handkerchiefs

HANDKERCHIEFS for men, women and children. A most diversified collection, including initial handkerchiefs, fancy border handkerchiefs, lace trimmed, plain, etc., etc.—go at exactly half the marked prices—as illustrated in the following:

Thousands of women's soiled and mussed handkerchiefs, sorted on special bargain tables and offered tomorrow at **half off marked prices.**

All the soiled and mussed women's handkerchiefs marked 5c go tomorrow at half price, or only 2½c.

All the soiled and mussed women's handkerchiefs marked 10c and 15c, go tomorrow at only 5c.

All the soiled and mussed women's handkerchiefs marked 25c, go tomorrow for half off, or only 12½c.

Men's handkerchiefs—a lot of odds and ends, plain and fancy, and initial—to be closed out at 5c.

Men's silk handkerchiefs—50c and 75c kinds—plain, fancy and initialed—to be closed out at 25c.

Art needlework dept.

EVERYTHING in the art needlework department in the way of fancy goods, such as pin cushions, Renaissance scarfs, Irish point scarfs, pillow tops, glove and handkerchief boxes, burnt wood boxes, work boxes, etc.—most of the goods showing the effects of too much handling—all go tomorrow at just **half marked prices.**

Fancy pin cushions, glove boxes and all kinds of novelties, marked 25c, go tomorrow at half off, or only **12c.**

50c fancy goods go for only **25c.**

1/2 OFF Coats and furs

YOU can buy a $10 coat or piece of fur for 5.00, or a $15 garment or fur piece for 7.50, and so on. Thousands of dollars' worth of coats and furs are marked at exactly half price.

Lot of women's coats—newest styles in cheviots and meltons—marked $5.98, tomorrow at half off, or **2.99.**

Lot of women's crushed velvet and velour coats—30 in. long, silk lined—marked $12, tomorrow at **6.00.**

Our entire stock of women's fine covert cloth jackets—short and medium length, tomorrow at **half the marked price**—those marked $5 go at **2.50**—the $10 ones at **5.00**—the $15 ones at **7.50.**

Lot of women's fancy coats—in taffeta, peau de soie and light evening pongee—at half price—$12 coats at **6.00**—$15 coats at **7.50**—$25 coats at **12.50.**

Lot of women's fur neck scarfs—French lynx or krimmer mink, tail trimmed—marked $1.25, tomorrow at **62c.**

Lot of women's fur scarfs—single and double effect, in fox, squirrel, lynx, French marten, etc.—marked $3.98, tomorrow at half off, or **1.99.**

Lot of women's fur neck scarfs—pelerine or round flat shape in Isabella or sable fox, tail trimmed—marked $10, tomorrow at **5.00.**

Lot of women's fur jackets—in Persian lamb, real Alaska seal and blended or natural squirrel—marked $200, tomorrow at **100.00.**

Lot of women's fur-lined coats—three-quarter length, black or colored broadcloth, lined with Russian squirrel—marked $30, tomorrow at **15.00.**

A lot of misses' and children's fur sets—of muff and neck piece, in all the different furs—at half the marked prices—$1 sets at 50c—$2 sets at 1.00—$3.00 sets at 1.50. **And so on.**

1/2 OFF Laces

LACES of every character and description are embraced in this half-price sale.

All the soiled and mussed embroideries and laces marked 10c yard, go at **5c.**

All the soiled laces and embroideries marked 15c and 20c yd., go at **only 10c.**

½ off ribbons—all the remnants and odd pieces of satin ribbons, taffeta ribbons and fancy ribbons go tomorrow at about **half the marked prices.**

10c and 15c ribbons go at 5c.
15c and 25c ribbons go at 9c.
30c and 35c ribbons go at 15c.

½ off trimmings—odds and ends of all kinds of braid trimmings, gimps, bead trimmings, etc., marked 10c to 25c yd., all go tomorrow at **only 5c.**

25c to 35c trimmings go at **only 10c.**
50c to 65c trimmings go at **only 15c.**

½ off unmade robes—the entire balance of our stock of beautiful black lace and spangled robes goes at **half the marked prices.** (In trimming dept.)

All the $12.00 robes go at **only 9.50.**
All the $25.00 robes go at **12.50.**
All the $35.00 robes go at **17.50.**

1/2 OFF Dress goods

NOVELTIES, checks, plaids and plain weaves; over 5,000 yards are included in this half-off sale. Think of buying $1 goods for 50c—or 50c goods for 25c, and so on.

The entire balance of our holiday stock of dress, skirt and waist patterns goes tomorrow at just half the marked prices.

All short lengths for children's dresses at half the marked prices.

All skirt patterns marked $2.50, go tomorrow at half price, or **1.25.**

All dress patterns marked $3, go tomorrow at half price, or **1.50.**

All dress patterns marked $5, go tomorrow at half price, or **2.50.**

The above come in black and all colors.

All wool French challies—light and dark printings—marked 50c, go tomorrow at **25c yd.**

All wool black voiles—for early spring wear—marked 59c, go tomorrow at **29c yd.**

44-in. French panne zibeline—with lustrous finish, perfect black—marked $1.25, go tomorrow at **62½c yd.**

52 in. all wool black Venetian cloth—very fine $1.25 grade, tomorrow, yd., **59c.**

Silks at ½ off

27 in. colored Jap. silks—our best 50c guaranteed washable silk, tomorrow at half price, yd., **25c.**

56 in. black duchesse satin—guaranteed against splitting, fast, lustrous black—marked $1.50, tomorrow, yd., **75c.**

24 in. colored satins—of all shades, also silks—marked 75c yard, tomorrow at **37½c.**

Dress lengths and remnants of 75c to $1.25 costume and silk velvets, some by the length, others by the yard—choice, **25c.**

1/2 OFF Linens and flannels

Odd lots of fancy linens, centerpieces, lunch cloths, scarfs, table cloths, bed spreads, lounging robes, embroidered linen waist patterns, etc., etc., all go at **half the marked prices.**

Satin damask table linen—finest grade made in Germany and Belfast—marked $1.25 and $1.50, tomorrow at **75c yd.**

3,000 yards colored waistings, percales and German calicoes—marked 10c and 12½c yard, tomorrow at **5c.**

2,000 yards printed flannels, fine shaker flannels and kimono flannels, marked 15c and 19c yd., tomorrow at 8½c.

Hemmed table napkins—dice pattern, marked 90c dozen, tomorrow at **45c.**

1/2 OFF Aprons, dressing sacques, petticoats, etc.

APRONS of every description—for the maid, the cook, the housewife—plain and fancy aprons—all kinds, in fact—and all marked at a reduction of 50%.

Any flannel, cashmere or albatross dressing sacque in stock at half price. A lot of handsome silk dressing sacques, also at **half the marked prices.**

Shawls—all slightly soiled cashmere, Shetland wool and silk shawls in stock, tomorrow at **half the marked prices.**

Any light-colored evening silk petticoat in stock, at **half the marked price.**

Lot of slightly soiled muslin gowns, drawers, chemise, corset covers, skirt chemise and skirts, at **half the marked prices.**

Lot of real whalebone imported corsets—made of choicest materials, at **half the marked prices.**

Lot of babies' wrappers and bands—all sizes—formerly 10c, 12½c and 15c, choice tomorrow, **5c.**

Girls' wear ½ off

Lot of girls' and misses' tourist coats—made of all-wool mixed materials, three-quarter length—marked $5, go at **2.50.**

Lot of misses' raincoats—guaranteed shower-proof, made of good cravenette material—marked $10, tomorrow at **5.00.**

Lot of misses' three-quarter length coats and girls' full length coats, in cheviots and meltons—all sizes—marked $2.24, tomorrow at **1.12.**

Lot of misses,' junior and girls' tailor-made jacket suits—blouse and coat effect—marked $6.50, tomorrow at **3.25.**

1/2 OFF Suits and waists

Lot of women's tailor-made jacket suits—new three-quarter length coat or blouse effect, plain or mixed materials—marked $10, tomorrow at **5.00.**

Lot of women's silk and wool shirtwaist suits—in taffeta, peau de soie, fancy silk and mohairs—at half the marked prices—$10 ones at **5.00**—$15 ones at **7.50.**

Any woman's velvet suit in our entire stock tomorrow at half the marked price—$25 suits at **12.50**—$50 suits for **25.00 and so on.**

Lot of women's tailor-made jacket suits—short blouse and three-quarter length coats—$25 suits at **12.50**—$50 suits at **25.00.**

Lot of women's fancy imported costumes and dresses—in crepe de chines, velvets and veilings—$35 costumes at **17.50**—$50 costumes at **25.00**—$75 costumes at **37.50.**

Lot of women's silk shirtwaists and fancy taffeta waists—in peau de soie and crepe de chine, light shades and dark colors—marked $3.98, tomorrow at **1.99.**

Lot of women's fine shirtwaists—in veiling, flannel and other fine imported materials, plain or hand-embroidered—marked $5, tomorrow at only **2.50.**

Lot of women's walking and dress skirts—in plain materials or fancy mixtures, plain or trimmed— marked $3.98, tomorrow at **1.99.**

½ off on millinery

OUR entire stock of trimmed and untrimmed hats, without reserve or exception, tomorrow at just one-half the **plainly marked prices.**

There's not an old or undesirable style in our entire stock. You'll find trimmed hats from $1 to $65. Hats for the Sunny South, evening hats, carriage and street hats, in lace, fur, velvet and felt, trimmed with flowers, ostrich plumes, paradise aigrettes, etc.—choose any one you please at **half price.**

1/2 OFF Furniture

MORRIS chairs, rockers, pedestals, desks and other pieces of furniture are embraced in this half-price sale. No matter what its former price—if it's in this sale—it's yours for just one-half.

Mahogany parlor cabinets, marked $14, go at 7.00.

Mahogany pedestals, marked $22, go at 11.00.

Mahogany cellarettes, marked $28.75, go at 14.38.

Mahogany music cabinets, marked $28.75, go at 14.38.

Vernis Martin parlor cabinets, marked $46, go at 23.00.

Leather couches, marked $65, go at 32.50.

Inlaid mahogany bookcases, marked $85, go at 42.50.

Mahogany leather davenports, marked $114.50, go at 57.25.

1/2 OFF Rugs, carpets, curtains

Lot of fur rugs—combination and plain, assorted colors, marked $6, half off makes the price **3.00.**

Lot of all wool Smyrna rugs—36x72 in.—marked $5, half off makes the price **2.50.**

Lot of axminster and wilton velvet rugs—hearth size, marked $3.50, half off makes the price **1.75.**

Lot of 9x12 ft. rugs—brussels and velvets, many without mitered corners, half off makes the price **11.50.**

Lot of hand made Turkish rugs—Shirvans and Carabaughs, marked $10, half off makes the price **5.00.**

Lot of selected Anatolian mats, marked $6, half off makes the price **3.00.**

Lot of all wool ingrain carpets—all colors, half off makes the price **45c.**

Choice patterns in plain white, dotted and striped ruffled swiss curtains, 2½ and 3 yards long, as follows—

50c curtains now at half off, or, pair, 25c.
98c curtains now at half off, or 49c pair.

Nottingham lace curtains—2½ to 3½ yards long, real lace designs, 42 to 60 in. wide, as follows—

75c curtains, now at half off, or 37c pair.
$1.25 curtains, now at half off, or 62c pair.

Real Irish point, renaissance, Arabian, cluny and Saxony brussels net curtains—go this way—

$3.50 curtains, now half off, or, pair, 1.75.
$7.50 curtains, now half off, or, pair, 3.75.
$13.50 curtains, now half off, per pair, 6.75.
$25 curtains, now half off, or, pair, 12.50.

Odd pairs of tapestry portiers—fringed, corded and bordered, as follows—

$5 portiers, now half off, or, pair, 2.50.
$8 portiers, now half off or, pair, 4.00.
$1 rope portiers, now half off, or 50c each.
$2.50 rope portiers, now half off, or 1.25 each.

Sporting goods ½ off

Lot of men's and boys' heavy sweaters—marked 50c, go tomorrow at half off, or **25c.**

Lot of men's all wool sweaters—in plain colors—marked $1.50, tomorrow at half off, or **75c.**

Lot of men's and youths' fine all worsted jerseys—all colors, marked 75c, tomorrow half off, or **38c.**

Our entire stock of football pants, shinguards, noseguards and head harness at **half the marked prices.**

A lot of pyrography goods at half marked prices.

A lot of 4x5 in. cameras—marked $2.50, at half off, or **1.25.**

All cut glass

Is subject to a discount of 25%

EACH and every piece of cut glass in our entire stock (with the sole exception of table tumblers and glasses) now goes at 25% less than its marked price. As is well known, our stock comprises many of the choicest pieces from the best American factories. It's needless to say that hundreds of women will avail themselves of this great offer.

Other goods at 25% discount:

Our entire stock of watches
Our entire stock of diamond rings
Our entire stock of solid gold jewelry
Our entire stock of opera glasses

At 25% off

1/2 OFF House coats

NOT a house coat or lounging robe is exempt. They all go at half their pre-Christmas prices. $5.00 jackets and robes go for 2.50, or $25 ones for 12.50, and so on in every instance.

Our entire stock of men's and boys' bath and lounging robes—without reserve or exception at half the prices that prevailed up to last Saturday.

Those marked $3.50 go now at 1.75.
Those marked $5 go now at 2.50.
And so on up to those marked $25, which go now at 12.50.

Lot of men's mackintoshes and double-breasted box coats at half price—$2.98 ones at 1.49—$5 ones at 2.50—$8.50 ones at 3.25—$10 ones at **5.00.**

1/2 OFF Boys' clothing

WE transacted an immense holiday business in boys' clothing, consequently we find hundreds of odd suits and overcoats. All these have been placed on four large counters. Take your choice tomorrow at just half the price marked on the ticket.

If the garment is marked $2 you pay only 1.00.
If marked $3 you pay only 1.50.
If marked $4 you pay only 2.00.
And so on up to the $8.50 garments, which go at 4.25.

Two counters of long pants suits and overcoats, in fancy mixtures and plain colors, sizes 14 to 20, at half the marked prices.

Those marked $3.90 go tomorrow at 1.95.
Those marked $5 go tomorrow at 2.50.
And so on up to the $20 ones, which go at 10.00.

1/2 OFF Men's furnishings

All men's neckwear marked $1, now 50c.
All men's neckwear marked $1.50, now 75c.
All men's neckwear marked $2.50, now 1.25.

A lot of men's shirts at half former prices.

All men's holiday suspenders at half former prices.

All men's silk mufflers (dress protectors not included) **at half price.**

Men's Hats at ½ off

All men's former $1.90 hats—including the latest shapes of derbies and softs—the entire line without reserve, tomorrow at **95c.**

All the odds and ends and broken color and size assortments of our $2.90 hats, either stiff or soft, tomorrow at **1.45.**

Winter caps—men's and boys' double pull-down winter caps—all styles and materials—also silk lined golf caps—marked 75c, tomorrow at 37½c.

1/2 OFF Shoes and slippers

ALL the lines in which the sizes have become broken will go at just half the former prices.

Lot of men's Corono colt patent leather bluchers—genuine welt sewed — former price $3, tomorrow at **1.50.**

Men's Kruger calf lace shoes — heavy double soles—former price $2.00—tomorrow they go at **1.00.**

Women's box calf and vici kid lace shoes, welt soles—former price $2, take your pick tomorrow at **1.00.**

Women's hand sewed felt juliets — fur trimmed—sold Saturday for $1, go tomorrow at **50c.**

As this is an absolute closing-out sale, none of the above goods will be taken back or exchanged

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SWARTZ HAS BIG BATTING AVERAGE

Akron Man Hit for .363 in the "Independent League." Elston is Second.

OTHER PLAYERS' RECORDS

Swartz of the Akron club shows the best batting average of any regular player in the Independent league last season. Elston of Zanesville can be looked upon as the second according to the averages announced by the officials of the association.

Homestead was suspended in June because of a squabble over players.

In games won and lost Zanesville led the list. The averages of the players known to local fans follow:

Players, Clubs.	G.	A.B.	R.	H.	Pct.
Fohl, Homestead	9	36	7	17	.472
Mullen, Homestead	2	5	1	4	.400
Pastorius, Niles	3	10	1	4	.400
Swartz, Akron	53	212	44	77	.363
Elston, Zanesville	43	167	39	58	.347
McCloskey, Homestead	9	36	6	12	.333
Evans, Sharon	2	10	0	3	.333
Service, Sharon	1	3	0	1	.333
Boyle, Alliance, Ak., Shr.	21	65	6	14	.326
Miller, Zanesville	86	361	76	116	.321
Johnson, Urbana, Warren	55	218	43	70	.321
Phyle, Youngstown	44	165	33	52	.315
East, Sharon, Akron	65	248	36	76	.313
Badel, Washington	79	322	55	98	.304
Keller, Youngstown	63	222	28	67	.302
Hanford, Youngstown	68	242	33	73	.302
Drumm, Zanesville	60	253	36	76	.300
Armstrong, Youngstown	8	20	4	6	.300
Blount, Youngstown	75	307	81	92	.299
Kreuger, Niles	11	37	5	11	.297
Pieper, Kane-Warren	10	95	14	28	.295
Sasse, Warren	81	330	73	97	.291
Cleary, Sharon	19	48	4	14	.292
Clayson, Kane-Sharon	21	69	12	21	.290
Austin, Youngstown	11	38	5	11	.289
Nagle, Niles	88	353	59	102	.289
Hopper, Warren	14	59	15	17	.288
Kennedy, Piqua	29	115	9	33	.287
Cooper, Zanesville	84	373	66	107	.287
Lucas, Zanesville	43	179	31	51	.285
Calahan, Niles	17	55	8	16	.281
Dolan, Youngstown	23	61	8	17	.279
Reed, Niles	86	330	46	91	.276
Sheenan, Niles	37	347	65	96	.276
Crowe, Niles	3	11	1	3	.273
Livingston, Akron	48	162	26	44	.271
Sweeny, Youngstown	10	26	6	7	.269
Gygli, Warren	10	38	4	10	.263
McKee, Youngstown	41	130	22	4	.262
Brown, Warren	70	291	36	77	.262
Bicher, Warren	76	319	54	83	.260
Faust, Warren	49	191	29	49	.257
Kerr, Sharon	64	244	25	63	.255
Maloney, Youngstown	73	285	36	67	.252
J. McAleese, Sharon	1	4	1	1	.250
Mueller, Sharon	8	32	5	8	.250
Guy, Youngstown	1	4	0	1	.250
Sapp, Niles	6	24	4	6	.250
Dawson, Niles	5	12	0	2	.250
Starr, Youngstown	76	272	43	62	.240
Herwig, Sharon	37	139	18	34	.345
Murphy, Sharon	42	108	23	41	.244
Crum, Sharon	43	167	23	40	.240
Moren, Homestead	6	21	1	5	.238
Ryan, Sharon-Youngst'n	67	250	30	59	.236
Thomas, Niles	55	209	27	47	.236
Patterson, Niles	91	356	52	83	.233
Metz, Akron	46	133	13	31	.233
Mack, Youngstown	62	322	29	51	.230
Huling, Zanesville	98	309	36	71	.230
Glassburner, Niles	83	313	39	72	.230
Burton, Youngstown	57	222	22	51	.230
D. McAleese, Shar.-Kent.	35	166	16	38	.229
Kommer, Niles	79	299	36	68	.228
Spade, Warren-Kent	41	118	21	27	.228
Jackson, War.-Niles-Yo.	28	140	12	25	.227
Hess, Warren	31	223	31	50	.224
Howell, Sharon	18	54	2	12	.222
Ortleib, Niles	77	299	41	63	.218
Sibbick, Warren	56	188	24	41	.217
Lindsay, Homestead	9	34	4	7	.206
Gouzzie, Niles-Sharon	88	328	27	67	.204
Edmundson, Homestead	9	35	8	7	.200
Nippert, Warren	78	289	37	57	.197
Dessau, Akron	16	52	1	10	.192
Doubles, Sharon	37	115	12	21	.183
Upp, Homestead-Warren	11	40	2	7	.175
Lang, Sharon	19	67	7	11	.164
Yoho, Sharon	18	61	6	9	.148
Smith, Sharon	6	21	1	3	.143
Thomas, Youngstown	29	88	12	12	.136
Hughes, Youngstown	14	44	4	6	.136
Brisbin, Homestead	9	37	3	5	.135
Smith, Homestead	4	16	6	2	.125
Diebold, Niles	6	17	0	2	.118
Bentel, Alliance	14	47	4	5	.106

DIAMOND TALES TOLD BY PHIL. LEWIS AND BROWN

No ball player appreciated a good story better than Phil Lewis, the former Cornell shortstop, who was with Baltimore in the Eastern league last year, and who has been drafted by Brooklyn for the coming season. Lewis is at home now from a trip to Cuba with a team of professional players from different leagues. He happened on a bunch of players fanning the other day and he got into it himself.

"Talk about wild pitchers, I saw one in a double-header last summer at Toronto that caused lots of trouble, and in the next game there was one of the funniest occurences I ever saw on a ball field," says Phil. Purchell was pitching the first game for us and he was getting along all right. But in one inning he filled the bases with walks and hit batsmen. Then on seven pitched balls he struck out two men and had two strikes on the next batter, who happened to be a youngster named Parker.

"Purchell wanted to waste one, and put it high. Parker jumped off his feet and took a swing at the ball like a wood chopper. He connected and sent the ball over second base and two runs came in.

"Then an explosion took place. Before we got the side out eight scores were made by Toronto. We lost the game 25 to 7. Of course, we felt like going into another game, nit.

"Umpire Sullivan, in the second game, had his troubles, and the play he was called upon the diagnose has never been settled. Robinson was on first, Kelly on second and Steve Griffin on third. Walters hit a fly into short right middle that looked safe and everybody went on a move. White, the Toronto right fielder, came in on a run and made an extremely pretty sliding and one-hand catch.

"The runners started to move. Griffin scored before he saw the catch and of course did not 'tip off his mit' by starting back. Kelly, however, was in a box and Toronto started to run him down. The entire team, including the men on the bench and our whole team, got on the diamond.

"Umpire Sullivan had a bone broken in his foot and could not get around. It was the funniest sight I ever saw, about 30 players on the diamond all trying to get the umpire with them. Kelly was not caught, but Sullivan called him out. He allowed Griffin to score, but called a double play."

Laudenslager's Strong Arm.

"Did you ever hear of a man on third being thrown out at home on a safe hit to right field?" inquired Lewis. "This happened one day in Baltimore when Buffalo was playing us. Laudenslager, our sub. infielder, was playing right field and he was not any too proficient in getting fly balls. Joe Delehanty clubbed one toward right center. Laudenslager put down his head and dug after it. He never raised his head until the ball had dropped to the ground. Delehanty reached third.

"Nattress, next up, lifted a fly into right, and we all looked for it to be caught, but Laudenslager came in on a run and took it on the first bounce. Delehanty, of course, thinking it would be caught, then started for home. I might add that there was a man on second at the time.

"When I saw the ball drop I knew I was out of the play. Laudenslager surprised the field by sending the ball home like a shot, catching Delehanty by 20 feet.

"Nattress, in the meantime, was hot-footing it around and when he got to second he found Courtney anchored on the bag. Robinson, behind the bat, had no one to throw to at second, as the second baseman was in the field, and I was sitting down laughing. Robinson made a circle of first and ran down Nattress, tagging him out and then getting Courtney completing a double play. Robb, with a sneaking smile, called everybody in sight."

Sam Browns Story.

"Doc. Hazleton, the Toledo first baseman last season, is a very quiet fellow," declares Sam Brown, the West Newton school teacher, who caught for Toledo last summer. "Hazleton is a big one and never says a word. We were in Indianapolis and Doc. complained of a sore arm. He said to Herman Long: 'Herman, send Sam out to first to warm up and I will play the base when the game starts. My arm is sore.' Long replied that I had to catch and Doc. went out. He could hardly toss the ball back to us in practice. The game started and Indianapolis got a man on first and the next batter dumped one toward Thirdbaseman Brothers. Brothers fired the ball to first and the runner, who had been on first, started around for third. Long going with him. Doc. let drive the ball and sent it on a dead line across third. There was no one there to get it and it hit the grandstand and the runner scored.

"When we got to the bench Long inquired of Hazleton why he had thrown the ball and he got this answer:

"'Why, Herman, I saw you wanted something and I had nothing but the ball to offer you and I let you have that.'"

ALL-SCHOOL SEVEN IS PICKED

Strongest Players in the School League Chosen to Oppose Collegians Thursday.

OVEREND IS A GOAL JUDGE

The biggest and what are regarded as the strongest boys in the Interscholastic hockey league, have been selected to form the team that will meet Yale Thursday night at Duquesne garden. The collegians are big and fast and it was deemed inadvisable to pick light players from the school ranks to oppose them.

Alex. McCracken, who will play at goal for the school team, is experienced in athletics, and he was given the preference on that account. Wallace Johns of Pittsburgh High school and McCutcheon of Shadyside, who will form the defense, are two of the largest and best skaters in the league. Arch. Williams, the Shadyside captain, has played on similar teams the past six years and knows how to act in such a game, as does Charlie Ahl, who will captain the team Thursday night.

Dick Mueller of Shadyside, who will start the game at left wing, is a strong player at advancing the puck, and a good shot. He can stand the gaff at all times. Robinson of Pittsburgh High school is a good skater and shoots hard and long.

Bunton, who captained the East Liberty academy team last year, but who is now on in Wilkinsburg High school, played the second half against Princeton last year and did well. He will play in the game, as will Charlie Reisfar, the High school captain.

Both are small in stature, which militates against their starting the game. The team will practice this evening at the garden.

Clarence Overend, a former Shadyside player, now a student at the Cascadella school, will be one of the goal judges. The Allegheny Preparatory school will have its annual ball Thursday night, and all its players will be at it.

The East Liberty victory Saturday was one of the surprises of the season. It had its good effect, as it makes the race more even and interesting. The records of the players follow:

	First Half.	Second Half.	Extra Period.
Van Gorder, Pittsburgh	2	5	0
R. Robinson, Pittsburgh	2	3	0
R. Mueller, Shadyside	2	1	0
Patterson, Shadyside	2	0	0
Reisfar, Pittsburgh	2	0	0
Babst, Shadyside	0	1	0
Harmer, Pittsburgh	0	1	0
Carter, East Liberty	1	0	0
Robertson, East Liberty	1	0	0
Herron, Shadyside	0	1	0
Fleeger, Wilkinsburg	1	0	0
K. Mueller, East Liberty	0	1	0
E. Robinson, Wilkinsburg	0	1	0
Bright, Pittsburgh	1	0	0
Askin, East Liberty	0	0	1

PHILLIES MAY GET A RED.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—When the Reds complete their training trip in the south they will be long on the infield. With the regulars of last season and Arndt and Bridewell to choose from, Manager Kelley will have one man to spare and this player, provided he shows National league form, will be turned over to the Philadelphia club.

"The only promise we have made the Philadelphia club," said President Herrmann of the Reds, after disposing of the yarn that Steinfeldt would go with the Quakers, "is that we would let them have one of our extra infielders after we had tried them out in practice in the south. In other words, either Arndt or Bridewell will be sent to Philadelphia, after Manager Kelley has gotten a true line on their work in Jacksonville."

The Philadelphia club tried to secure Arndt from Louisville last summer, but Tebeau refused to part with him at the time. Subsequently Cincinnati purchased him and it is possible that he will land with Philadelphia after all.

President Herrmann is well satisfied with Steinfeldt, is convinced that he will be all that is required in a third baseman and will not let go of him.

Turf Editor on Golf.

In the absence of the regular golf editor, the following question from a beginner was referred to the turf editor for an answer: "In a game of golf, is it right to fuzzle your putt, or is it better to fetter on the tee?" The turf editor set his teeth firmly, stared hard at the wall a few moments, and wrote the following reply: "In case a player snaggles his iron, it is permissible for him to fuzzle his putt; but a better plan would be for him to drop his guppy into the pringle and smoodle it out with a niblick."

HOW THE SCHOOL SEVEN WILL PLAY WITH YALE

McCracken, goal, Shadyside.
Johns, point, Pittsburgh High school.
McCutcheon, cover point, Shadyside.
Williams, forward, Shadyside.
Ahl, center and captain, ex-Shadyside.
Robinson, right wing, Pittsburgh High school, or Bunton, Wilkinsburg High school.
Richard Mueller, left wing, Shadyside, or Charles Reisfar, Pittsburgh High school.

CRACK COLLEGE PITCHER SIGNED BY MARTY HOGAN

Manager Marty Hogan has started to sign players for his Ohio Works team of Youngstown. He has landed Pitcher Haines Felger of the Ohio State university. Felger is considered one of the best college pitchers in Ohio. O'Brien, an amateur pitcher of Hubbard, O., has also been signed. It is likely Tommy Hughes, the W. and J. star twirler, will again be with Youngstown. Hogan has signed Thomas, the right-handed pitcher of last year's Grove City college and Niles teams.

The Niles team last season finished $300 to the bad. A minstrel show will be held soon to replenish the treasury. Charlie Crowe will in all probability manage the Sharon club the coming season.

WINTER RACING POPULAR ON NEW ORLEANS TRACK

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—In the vicinity of a dozen years ago, winter racing was represented in New Orleans by the average of three or four books in the betting ring, gate receipts that were nearly always below the $20 mark, four races a day, worth in all to the owners but $500, and three days' racing a week, weather and track conditions permitting.

This retrospection is permissible in view of the fact that Saturday last, marked an epoch both in the financial and racing standard of the Crescent City Jockey club. Thirty-three books in the ring, five more than were ever before, and as many as are seen on an average on the northern tracks during the heights of the season, attested to the popularity of the winter game from the speculative standpoint. The local turf situation, although at present far from perfect, does not appear to show any immediate symptom of being cleared up in the near future. The movement made by the representatives of tracks which had not been treated by the Western Jockey club in the manner in which they deemed proper, seems to be resting, pending the action to be taken by the governing board at its January meeting.

H. Phillips still leads the list of riders with 32 winning mounts. Nicol comes next, with 28, J. Martin has 19, Crimmins 13, McIntyre 10, Schilling and Aubuchon 7 each and J. Hennessy 6.

The Newman Reserves defeated the Lawrenceville Turners on Newman floor 35 to 22. Field goals—Rowe 2, Cline 6, Cannon 3, Coates, Pease 2, Lynch 5. Foul goals—Rowe 6, Lynch 8. Referee—Cotter.

HOCKEY "DOPE" BOOK IS KEPT BY ART. SIXSMITH

Arthur Sixsmith, the former captain-manager of the Victoria hockey team, keeps a "dope" book on the hockey players. Every player of any consequence in Canada and the United States is in his book. He has the players' records and clippings of games carefully put in the book, and he never is at a loss to place any player.

Sixsmith for two years captained the Victoria seven, last season bringing it in first in the championship race of the Western Pennsylvania league. He brought the players from Canada and his selections were wise ones. Sixsmith is one of the best forward men in the business, but he has a responsible position and does not have time to devote to a hockey team that travels.

Carnegie Will Play Manchester.

Hans Wagner's Carnegie five will play the Manchester team tonight at Raleigh hall, Allegheny, in the first battle of a series of five games. Capt. Wagner's team is really a combination of professional baseball players, including Patsy Flaherty and the two Frye brothers, who play in the minor leagues. It is also likely that McArthur, captain of the Allegheny College five for the last four years, will be in the line-up against Manchester tonight. A preliminary to the big game will be played by the Manchester Juniors and the St. Aloysius Juniors, beginning at 7:45.

The Newmans beat the Crawfords 12 to 11. Field goals—Hauk, Trinkler 2, Keally, Showalter, Comisky, Keocke 2, Boyle. Foul goals—Comisky 5, Trinkler 2. Referee—Cotter.

FAST BOATS TO SAIL IN INTERNATIONAL RACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Attention will be directed toward the possible entries for the international motor boat race for the Harmsworth cup, which will be held probably toward the end of July in the Bay of Arachon, France. Lionel DeRothschild of London has entered a 250-horse power boat. Two more English Napier boats are also being built for the race, the Napier and the Napier II.

Several French boats have been mentioned as defendes of the cup. The manufacturers of the Trente-a-Quatre, last year's cup winner in the Isle of Wight race, are building a new boat. Italy will probably enter two or three boats.

With these powerful boats against them, American competitors will be forced to send over boats only of exceptional ability. Both of the fast American boats of the past year, Commodore Harrison B. Moore's Onontio, the present world's record holder, and Frank Croker's Xpdac, are over the 40-foot limit required for entrance in the international motor boat race. Two or three firms that turned out fast boats in the races of the past season have been building new boats since, and they are expected to be seen in the Palm Beach races in February and also in the meet recently granted by the Cuban government for the Bay of Havana early in February.

Local Boxers Fight Tonight.

The Business Men's club will hold its weekly show tonight. Joe Alton, the boy who bested Jack Rowe, will be one of the contestants. Jim Clark, a promising youngster, will meet Tom Sweeney. Mike Madden will be another boxer who will be paired off with someone his weight. Jimmy O'Neil, a new 100-pounder, will meet Harry Palmer.

NINE MONTHS TRAINING FOR CHICAGO ATHLETES

University of Chicago athletic authorities will introduce an innovation in western athletics if plans suggested by Dr. Raycroft, acting director in Coach Stagg's absence, are acted upon favorably by the Midway athletic board.

Dr. Raycroft believes that the winter teams should be given more consideration, and has consequently started a movement to run a training table during the winter months as well as during the spring season, making nine months of training for many of the maroon athletes.

Tom Bird, one of the best college backstops in the country, will lead the Michigan nine. Murray Wendell, Southpaw Nagle and Eyke of last year's squad will again be out for the position of pitcher, and the former is likely to be Michigan's mainstay. "Carrie" Carrington is the only veteran outfielder left, and there will be a fight among the new material for places in left and center gardens. However, the new material is likely to upset some calculations.

The joint faculty athletic committee from Stanford and the University of California has recently made recommendations concerning changes in intercollegiate athletics. The principal change proposed is that no freshman shall be allowed to participate in any athletic contest between California and Stanford during his first year in college.

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Extra fine Alaska Fox, Isabella or Sable Fox Scarfs—double length—very fine brushes—former prices $15.00 and $16.00, reduced to $11.50

Large Flat Natural Squirrel Muffs—former price $10.00—reduced to..... $6.50

Big reductions in Persian Lamb and Alaska Seal Coats as well as Sable, Chinchilla, Baum Marten, Mink and Ermine Muffs and Scarfs.

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Several desirable styles in Walking Skirts—plain colors or fancy mixtures—former price $5—reduced to..... $2.48

A large assortment of all-wool Walking Skirts—in fancy mixtures or plain blue and gray meltons—prettily pleated or button trimmed—former prices $6.00, $8.50 and $10.00—all reduced to..... $4.50

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The prices speak for themselves, but you will not realize how much they mean until you see the quality and style of the coats embraced in these sweeping reductions.

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Tourist Coats, in black, castor and brown—former price $10.00—reduced to.. $6.50

Three-quarter length Tourist Coats, made of fine quality kersey, in black and castor—collarless, neatly trimmed with velvet, full back and belt—former price $13.50—reduced to..... $8.75

27-inch Kersey Coats, in castor color—former prices $15.00, $16.50, $18.00 and $20.00—all reduced to..... $10.50

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A variety of exclusive style coats—either 27 inches long or three-quarter length tourist styles, or with fitted backs—shades are castor, brown and black—latest shaped collars and sleeves—former prices $20 and $25—all reduced to..... $16.75

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Children's Walking Coats—made of fine broadcloth—sizes six months to six years—former price $6.00—reduced to..... $3.98

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One case of 50 pieces of fine Outing Flannel. Styles especially desirable for kimonos, waists, etc. Regular 10c and 12½c values—Tuesday only, a yard..... 5c

Beautiful styles in Flannelettes, in pretty stripes, figures, polka dots, etc. Excellent color blendings. All our 15c grades for Tuesday, a yard..... 9c

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Fancy bronze and gold busts and figures.
"Oriental Pearl" Infants' sets, brush, comb and mirror sets, nail polisher sets, complexion brushes, etc., etc.
Genuine ebony hair brushes.
Carved wood stein shelves.
Fancy ash trays and match holders.
Leather photo frames, desk pads, etc.
Porcelain miniatures.
Hardwood jewel caskets.
Cuckoo clocks.
Staghorn novelties.
Fine decorated porcelain back brush, mirror and comb sets.
Fancy porcelain hair brush sets, cloth brushes, silver plated mirrors, etc.
"Oriental Pearl" military brushes, clothes brushes, hair brushes, etc.
Sterling top salve jars, trays, etc.
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Children's Flannelette Skirts, either neat stripe or plain white—worth 50c; special..... 25c

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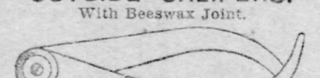

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XMAS GOOD WILL IS TOO LIMITED

Rev. Dr. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., Deciares Season's Emotions Should Be Lasting.

WORLD WORKING TO THAT END

"The Christmas Good 'Will" was the sermon theme of the Rev. Dr. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., in Christ Methodist Episcopal church, Liberty and Center avenues, last evening. The pastor dwelt upon the spirit of generosity that prevailed at this season and said in part:

Christmas is a great yearly demonstration of good will, in which we get somewhat out of the narrow circle of our own personal interests and cares and give ourselves in generous effort to please others. Once a year at least we enthrone our better nature and give larger play to those emotions that were ordained to bless mankind. The spirit of childhood, the spirit of the Christ-child, is tugging at our heartstrings these days and seeking to pull us out of the shadows of selfishness and greed into the light and liberty of love. The Christmas gladness shines upon our selfish striving and rebukes it; it reveals possibilities of blessedness that shall be ours when we live more fully in the light of this truth, when our dominant disposition shall be to help others, and our getting shall fruit perennially in giving.

The light of Christmas is the Christ-child and the Christ-child is the gift of God. The largest and sublimest expression of the blessedness of giving is God. God is the supreme Giver; love is His essence and pours through all created things, making the harmony of the universe and the blessedness of human life. The world asserts that blessedness consists in getting. Suppose we put that assertion into large type and carry it out to its consequences. Multiply the disposition to grasp everything for one's self by Almightiness, and you would have a devil on the throne of the universe, you would have a chaos instead of a cosmos, and men tearing one another in the hurly-burly of life. There would be no saints in the world, no martyrs, no heroes, no mothers. You can scarcely imagine such a world; it could never have come into existence. Darwin explained the struggle for existence as "including the dependence of one being upon another;" and Herbert Spencer contends that "self-sacrifice is no less primordial than self-preservation, being in its simple physical form absolutely necessary for the continuance of life from the beginning."

"But," some one objects, "this law of giving one's self for others may work well in its season; it may be promotive of joy at Christmas; it may be necessary to make a man a saint or a hero, but it is not practicable on a lower plane, in those spheres of activity where competition governs everything." There is much that seems to give force to this objection. There is a kingdom of darkness in this world as well as a kingdom of light and the darkness sometimes seems to prevail over the light and to make laws for the children of light. The shadows never look so ominous as at Christmas. The words of William Watson are painfully true:

"Yea, for the raveled night is round the lands,
And sick are we all of the imperial story;
The tramp of power and its long trail of pain;
The mighty brows in meanest arts grown hoary."

"The tramp of power and its long trail of pain" is terribly conspicuous. It seems to mock our Christmas celebration. But our civilization does not lie wholly in its domain. The light has come, the light of the King of Peace, making these evils more sensibly manifest and showing the way to their doom.

He who looks for Christ today will not find Him in a humble manger, but in countless homes, in halls of state, on the college campus, in the sweeping currents of trade, and on the world's battlefields. The Christ-life is becoming practicable even from a worldly point of view, because the world is becoming purer as the light of His truth pervades it, and the reign of peace and good will, though far away, is "the divine event toward which the whole creation moves."

THE CANTICLE OF MARY REFLECTS CHARACTER

The Rev. Dr. W. F. Silveus Interprets the Song of the Mother of the Messiah.

"The Canticle of Mary" was the Christmas morning sermon of the Rev. Dr. W. F. Silveus in the Second Cumberland church yesterday. The pastor took for his text St. Luke, 1:46-47-48, and said in part:

These words of our text are part of the song of Mary in prospect of the birth of her son. They reveal her character perhaps more than all else related of her in the scriptures. From them we infer the maturity of her piety. Her utterances of faith in God might well of fallen from the lips of the most experienced and sanctified mother in Israel. They are the words of prophecy. Much of the phraseology and the general tenor of the canicle resembles that of Hannah.

Hannah spake of God as her rock—Mary spake of God as her Saviour. Hannah sang of Jehovah raising the poor out of the dust—Mary sang "He hath regarded the low estate of His handmaid."

Her devotion and consecration to God, led to the exceeding greatness of her ambition. Although of a modest and holy temper, she anticipated with eagerness the honor she received as the mother of our Lord. For she exclaimed, "Behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed."

Note her great joy. It was the joy of faith. She trusted in God, and despised the fears which must have presented themselves. In becoming the mother of the Messiah, shame, calumny, misinterpretation, contempt, awaited her, nor have nineteen centuries entirely silenced these voices. She was strengthened from above that she despised the cries, and resolved to endure the shame because of the joy set before her. Faith in the fact she was to be the mother of the Messiah, and faith in Him, the unborn one, was so strong, that in prospect of this sublime nativity, her soul was full of joy. She was the first of believers.

Her joy was her own election to be Christ's mother. Well may every mother rejoice who is the means of bringing into the world one who shall be an heir of God. Mary became mother of the heart that bled for us, of the lips that plead for us, of the hands that beckon us to glory; mother of a humanity that shall live forever; mother of a countenance death could not mar; which eternity shall behold unweariedly; mother of a nature with which divinity is perpetually allied.

She rejoiced in "God her Saviour." We regard Him as the "wonderful." The mysteries surrounding Him, which are answered by scepticism in some produce profound reverance in us. Were He not wonderful, then, understand, we should not adore Him. We rejoice in Him as the counsellor. "We are in maze—in darkness, He gives us guidance and light. We stood accused and guilty before God; He pleads for us, and advocates our claims. Poor advocates should we be even with sufficient merit to plead. The splendor and awfulness of the court of heaven would seal our lips and overpower our minds.

Mary was content to do all this that Christ might be born into the world. That we might have a Saviour. Content to be blessed as God had blessed her. She did not ask for a higher station, she did not plead for this world's goods even in the interest of Him who should be born. No; she took her blessing down to her station. She glorified in what God had done for her, because it glorfied Him. Honored Mary! Yet not alone in thine honor.

Go forth this Christmas reason in discharge of Mary's ministry. There is no Christ to feed, or clothe, or receive, but there are enough, indeed, of the least of His brethren. Be as generous to them as Mary was to Him. True charity is the mother, giving not from another's hand but from her own bosom. Minister in faith and love and hereafter a fame as perpetual if not as universal as that of hers shall be yours. "For the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance."

JUSTICE NEEDED TO EFFECT PEACE

Rev. Dr. J. Leonard Levy Uses President's Phase as a Lecture Theme.

TO DEDICATE ADDRESS TO HIM

The Rev. Dr. J. Leonard Levy chose "The Peace of Justice" as the title of his tenth Sunday lecture in the present series before the Reform Congregation Rodeph Shalom, in the Eighth Street temple yesterday morning. The title was taken from an expression created by President Roosevelt in his recent message to congress, and again used by him in indorsing the movement to establish an international peace society. It is the intention of the Reform Congregation Rodeph Shalom to dedicate the lecture to the president. Dr. Levy referred to the growing sentiment toward universal and permanent peace and said in part:

Within the churches of Christendom today there is sung with pious fervor the chorus chanted more than 1,900 years ago at the birth of a little Jewish boy in the royal city of Bethlehem, "Peace on earth, good will toward men." On such a day as this the dominant note throughout the churches is suggested by the characteristic teachings of the young Jew of Nazareth whose distinguished services to humanity have made Him the worshipped and the adored of millions of human hearts. We, as it were, hear today the impressive teachings "Resist no evil. Bless those that curse you. Love your enemies. If a man smite thee on one cheek turn to him the other cheek. Take no thought of the morrow. Put up thy sword for all they that draw the sword shall perish by the same." These and other characteristic teachings of Him who was called "The Prince of Peace" resound throughout the churches reared in His honor.

But how different is it in the world without, throughout Christendom! Who can tell but that the merry bells which fling out on the air the glad Christmas tidings may not sound the funeral notes of those who may be attacked by worshippers of the "Prince of Peace." Who knows but that in merry list on the way home from the church celebrating the birthday of its God, there may not be offered to him the holocaust of human lives, and while such a reflection is presumptive, it is not to be denied that the world is full of war and rumors of war and that nations presumably civilized are compelled by conditions prevailing throughout Christendom to stand with gauntletted hands, with the dogs of war held in a very thin leach. On all sides we hear of battleships being built, of armies being trained. On all sides we hear of vast appropriations being made for the brutal business of bloody battle. On all sides we see and hear of the worship of Mars to the great undoing of human happiness.

That war still exists, and that active preparations for its continuance are still made, may be attributed to the fact that the brute side of man is still in he ascendant and that his spiritual side lacks proper development. When these will subdue questions involving the peace of the world to the high courts of reason, when men will be willing to solve national problems in the same common sense in which they solve any other business problem, when men will realize that there has been too much of a demand for "love" and too little willingness to do justice on the part of the world's great religions, we shall find that the conditions prevailing will make for peace instead of war, for a national settlement of national and international questions rather than a resort to the bloody arbitrament of arms.

The president of the United States needs no compliments at my hands and requires no indorsement from a humble preacher and yet, I feel that in a single sentence he has done more to make this nation understand the trend of events that make for peace than nearly a century's preaching of peace organizations. This phrase of his "the Peace of Justice" which must become the ideal of every rational soul, places the president in a certain sense in the goodly company of such distinguished apostles of peace as Grotius and Jean de Bloch.

The goddess of Justice is blind-folded, but there is still room to place between her and the bandage a sum of money sufficiently large to blind her. Her balance is empty for there is no cause to settle, there is nothing in it. The world needs today the virile force of the ancient prophets of Judea whose demand for justice and equity, in a word, righteousness, as the highest expression of religion must again be heeded. Too long has there prevailed throughout the world an effeminate, emasculated conception of religion; today we need more than ever the appeal for justice as religion's great demand. For justice is the bed-rock on which the social structure is built. Without it there will be no equity, there can be no love. With it the moral equilibrium of society is established. The permanent conditions that make for peace will be maintained only when the nations realize that they must solve their problems by an appeal to justice, when over the earth there will be established the international law which expresses justice, when an international court will exist that can administer justice; then we shall find the Messianic conditions near at hand and there will be a greater degree of reality in the song "Peace On Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

WORK OF CHRISTIANITY.

The Rev. Dr. Young Tells What Has Been Accomplished Since the Birth of Christ.

The Rev. Dr. S. Edward Young preached before the congregation of the Second Presbyterian church in the Bijou theater yesterday morning on "What 1,602,244,800 Minutes of Christianity Have Accomplished," and said in part:

Accepting the 25th of December, 1868 years ago, as the birthday of Jesus, we estimate that there have been about 1,602,244,800 minutes of Christianity. What have they accomplished? They have cast from one-third of mankind the old polytheistic or immoral ideas of God and taught mortals to call Him Father. They have displaced the old idea of the ephemeral character of man with the belief of his immortality and have taught men to call each other brothers. They have flooded the world with civilization. They have developed the minds of the people.

Christ's lifting one little child into His arm and saying, "Whoso receiveth one such in My name, receiveth Me," has reared orphans' asylums and Sunday schools in every land. Christ's declaration "The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost," has sent all His truest followers out after the wretched to bless them. Christ's maxim, "it is more blessed to give than to receive" has bloomed into philanthropy everywhere.

Let freemen throughout the earth ascribe to Him the glory of their liberty—was not even Rome itself three-fourths slaves when He came? Let weaker nations and such in any place as abhor the shame and sufferings of the battlefield thank Him for the teaching humanity so stupidly learned concerning universal peace. Let pure households, first cultivated by the Jewish faith, and in Christianity exemplified in all its new communities during these nineteen and three-quarters centuries acknowledge their debt to Christ.

All hail to the hope for future years in this life and the life beyond the grave which the Nazarene inspires. Talk about the Seven Years' war or the Thirty Years' war—here is a Nineteen Hundred Years' war and we are yet in the thick of the fight—a war to annihilate unloveliness and unholiness from the human breast.

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Sold everywhere in boxes, 10c and 25c.

FORTUNE FOR COACHMAN.

Heirs of Mrs. Elenora Chambers Are Fighting for Her Estate of $150,000.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 25.—The will of Mrs. Elenora Chambers, which has been filed for probate, left $150,000 to her coachman. It is to be contested on the ground that she was of unsound mind when she executed the instrument.

The coachman was Harry Graves, who was in the service of Mrs. Chambers when she died in California in September.

Mrs. Chambers lived in Indianapolis most of her life and was the daughter of T. A. Morris.

Graves applied for a position at the home of Mrs. Chambers as coachman when he was in rags. She gave him employment and he drove well. When she later went to California to live she took her coachman with her.

Woman Charged With Shoplifting.

Gertrude Francis of 26 Brabee street, Troy Hill, will be given a hearing today before Magistrate Abernathey on a charge of shoplifting at Boggs & Buhl's store. She was arrested Saturday afternoon in the store.

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Important Sale of Tailored Suits and Coats,

Commencing Tomorrow, December 27.

SUITS.

A limited number of Suits of Mixtures and Plain Cloth; former prices $22.50 to $30.00, at..... $7.90

Suits of Black, Blue and Brown Cheviot, long plaited coat and fancy vest; reduced from $22.50 to..... $14.75

Suits of Plain, Scotch and Fancy Mixtures, fancy vest and button trimmed, jacket 30 inches; reduced from $32.50 to..... $17.75

Fancy Blouse Suits, in Black, Blue and Brown Broadcloth; retail value $32.50, at..... $19.75

Suits of Black, Blue and Brown Broadcloth; coats 40 inches; reduced from $32.50 to..... $25.00

About 100 Plain and Fancy Suits, long or short jackets, regular value $35.00 to $85.00, from..... $24.50 to $30.00

Highest Class Tailored Suits of Black, Blue and Brown Broadcloth and Panne Cheviot, regular value $42.50 to $47.50, at.... $35.00 & $37.50

COATS.

A limited number of short and three-quarter length coats of black broadcloth and cheviot; also mixtures, at..... $4.90
(Former prices $10.75 to $13.75.)

Tailored Coats at..... $7.90, $8.75, $14.75 $21.50
(Former prices $12.75 to $30.00.)

Raincoats at..... $8.90, $13.75 and $17.75
(Former prices $11.75 to $30.00.)

All Carriage and Evening Coats at Large Concessions from Regular Prices.

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If you have lost this year you are in duty bound to assure your loved ones against the effects of that loss—if you should die—

The Equitable Life Assurance Society

EDWARD A. WOODS, Manager

Equitable Floor - - - Frick Building

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 814.)

AN ORDINANCE—Establishing the grade of Western avenue, First and Second wards, from a point opposite the intersection of the north line of Western avenue and the west line of the Railroad Bridge and distant three hundred and fifteen (315) feet westward of the west line of Marion avenue to the east curb line of Irwin avenue.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the grade of Western avenue, First and Second wards, from a point opposite the intersection of the north line of Western avenue and the west line of the railroad bridge, and distant three hundred and fifteen (315) feet westward of the west line of Marion avenue, to the east curb line of Irwin avenue, be and the same is hereby established as follows:

Beginning at a point opposite the intersection of the north line of Western avenue and the west line of the railroad bridge, and distant three hundred and fifteen (315) feet westward of the west line of Marion avenue, at an elevation of sixty-nine and eight one hundredths (69.08) feet above city datum; thence descending at a rate of eighty-five one hundredths (.85) feet per hundred feet for a distance of nine hundred and forty (940) feet to the east curb line of Irwin avenue, elevation sixty-one and nine one hundredths (61.09) feet above city datum.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with, or be supplied by the foregoing be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 16th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

Attest:
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 309.)

AN ORDINANCE—Widening Strawberry lane, Sixth and Eleventh wards, from Brighton road to Jacob Conrad's west line, to a width of fifty (50) feet, according to accompanying plan, and as herein described.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That Strawberry lane, Sixth and Eleventh wards, from Brighton road to Jacob Conrad's west line, be and the same is hereby widened to a width of fifty (50) feet, according to accompanying plan. The center line thereof being described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the center line of Strawberry lane intersects the west line of Brighton road, at a distance of one hundred twenty-nine and one-tenth (129.1) feet north of the first point of curve south of Strawberry lane; thence deflecting fifty-six degrees sixteen and one-half minutes (56 degrees 16½ minutes) to the left by a line fourteen hundred eighty-three (1483) feet, more or less to Jacob Conrad's west line.

The damages caused thereby and the damages caused by the grade thereof and the benefits to pay the same to be assessed and collected in accordance with the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 16th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

Attest:
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 818.)

AN ORDINANCE—Transferring the sum of $10,510.00 from items Nos. 1, 5 and 6, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, to item No. 2, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the sum of ten thousand five hundred and ten ($10,510.00) dollars is hereby transferred to item No. 2, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, from the following items of said appropriation No. 12:

$1,000.00 from item No. 1, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water.
$9,000.00 from item No. 5, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water.
$510.00 from item No. 6, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 19th day of December, A. D. 1904.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1904. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

WANTED.

Agents.

Proverbs! Proverbs!

Proverb Hunters—Take notice. We have a little book which contains about 2,500 proverbs compiled from the standard English work; 25 cents postpaid to any address. NOVELTY SUPPLY CO., 98 Waller ave., Thirty-first ward, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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MEN for the U. S. marine corps—Able-bodied unmarried men between 21 and 35, good character; must speak, read and write English; marine service at sea on men-of-war in all parts of the world, on land in our island possessions and at naval stations in the United States. Apply recruiting officer, room 414, Postoffice building, city.

MEN—60 men Nixon theater stage door, 6 p. m. Monday evening.

WANTED—Two good carriage washers. Excelsior Express and Standard Cab Co., 1131 Liberty avenue.

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Female Help.

CHAMBERMAID who can wash and iron; best wages paid. Only those well recommended need apply. Apply 329 Stratford ave., East End.

GIRL for general housework, good wages. 221 Voegtly st., Allegheny.

NURSE for two children, 1 and 4 years old; best wages paid. Only those having had experience and well recommended need apply. Apply 329 Stratford ave., East End.

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GERMAN girl wants housework; good cook and laundress; reference. 1215 Esplanade st., Allegheny.

SITUATIONS for cooks or chambermaids; can furnish references.
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MONTICELLO ST., 7125, Homewood—Comfortably furnished room, gentleman; steam heat, electric light, use bath, breakfast if desired.

NEW GRANT ST., 702½, side entrance—Furnished rooms, $1 to $3 week, near depot.

PERSONS wishing furnished or unfurnished rooms, with or without board, or furnished houses, see LIBERTY ROOM RENTING BUREAU, 537 Collins ave. Bell, 1397 W. Highland.

REBECCA AVE., 909, Wilkinsburg—Large comfortably furnished room suitable for two, on car line; private family.

ROOMS—two nicely furnished rooms, conveniences; light housekeeping or bedrooms. 5115 Liberty st.

ROSS AVE., 418, West Wilkinsburg—Newly furnished room, every convenience, near station and cars.

SHERMAN AVE., 4221—Nicely furnished front room; bath; private family; suitable for two gentlemen.

SOUTH AVE., 1000, Wilkinsburg—Large, comfortably furnished front room, every modern convenience.

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East End.

DAUPHIN ST., 5315, near Atlantic ave.—Two elegantly furnished housekeeping rooms; all conveniences.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS.
Have several nicely furnished rooms for rent in the Shadyside district; references exchanged. For particulars apply to
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5433 Walnut st., East End.

GROSS ST., 203, near Penn—Desirably furnished rooms; every modern convenience; men only.

HAYS ST., East End—Large second-story front suite, one or two baths; conveniences; elegant location; close to cars; private family; breakfast and dinner if desired. Address Z 242, The Gazette, or Bell 'phone 2102-R, Highland.

HIGHLAND AVE., 242, SOUTH—Nicely furnished rooms; board if desired.

HOWE ST., 6335—Nicely furnished rooms with or without board; instantaneous water heater.

LIBERTY AVE., 3837—Nice comfortably furnished rooms; all conveniences; home comforts.

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NORTH ST. CLAIR ST., 311—Comfortable furnished front room; desirable location, near all cars.

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SOUTH HIGHLAND AVE., 324—Desirably furnished room; all conveniences; best location; boarding next door.

Allegheny.

ANDERSON ST., 124, near Ninth st. bridge—Elegantly furnished room; bath, gas; rent $3.

ARCH ST., 1215, Allegheny—Front alcove room; hot and cold running water; housekeeping.

BIDWELL ST., 1117, Allegheny—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences; with bath; for refined couple without children; good location, private family.

BOYLE ST., 1206, Allegheny—Well furnished second-story room; every convenience; private family; gentlemen.

CHARLES ST., 817, Allegheny, near Perrysville ave.—Furnished front room, $1.50 week.

FEDERAL ST., 1410, Allegheny—Well furnished room, first floor, every convenience; two gentlemen.

GRANT AVE., 919, Cor. Beech—Two or three nicely furnished rooms; light housekeeping.

LINCOLN AVE., 848—Well furnished front room, suitable for two gentlemen; all conveniences.

LOCUST ST., 1408, Allegheny—Two connecting rooms; housekeeping if desired; conveniences; good location.

NORTH WATSON BOULEVARD, 107, Perrysville ave. district—Three or four unfurnished rooms, bath; all conveniences.

FOR RENT.—FURNISHED ROOMS.

Allegheny.

PENNSYLVANIA AVE., 1310, Allegheny—Two large connecting rooms, furnished, for housekeeping; gas, range, laundry.

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SHEFFIELD ST., 1133, Allegheny—Nicely furnished rooms.

S. HIGHLAND AVE., 152—Nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping; also large furnished rooms.

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1, Istvan Bostka; 2, Ernest Bierry; 3, Stanislaw Brubers; 4, James Canello; 5, Feliks Cichocki; 6, Jacques Chandoir (3); 7, Antoni Dzieciotowski; 8, Anton Dilleblwsorp; 9, Julia Feiber; 10, Gulvics Ferenczaic; 11, Josef Grzanka; 12, Anastazyja Golgiowska; 13, Peter Gumowsky; 14, Jozef Grzibowski; 15, Jozef Gredzinski; 16, Johan Heraboszki; 17, Wasyl Harahus; 18, Antoni Hezesky; 19, Alex Hartstein; 20, Antonj Janjszewsky; 21, Allek Jus; 22, Julia Kruzan; 23, Adolf Klein; 24, Anna Kandslecz; 25, John Kinder; 26, Wladyslaw Kamienski; 27, Stanislaw Krupienski; 28, Piotr Kobjelski; 29, Jozef Krotej; 30, Tony Latkiewiza; 31, H. Levin; 32, Konida Leventis; 33, Abram Lipoki; 34, Rev. Father Methodios; 35, Gnbe Makara; 36, Franz Menoschek; 37, Zocuppy Menepy; 38, Baber Maravich; 39, Nics Modrusan; 40, Mike Mihalko; 41, Frek Nakwaski; 42, D. Nowiski; 43, Meri Olej; 44, Merl Olej; 44, Tomasz Orankewicz; 45, Kwong On Wo; 46, Teodoras Pupsis; 47, Sam Prulusciy; 48, Antonio Plottis; 49, Majk Paszior; 50, Ruzalia Pelechowicz; 51, Anna Pikala; 52, Andozei Radomsky; 53, Louis Ruttenberg; 54, Jozef Rakolski; 55, Rakolski Stanislaj; 56, Ignacy Szczypiansky; 57, Adamkiewicz Nelon; 58, Jozef Stawicki; 59, Mihajl Senjan; 60, Piotr Sieklerski; 61, Sanyslaw Sokolowski; 62, Jakob Strbier; 63, Jakob Santek; 64, Stanislawowi Tanskiemu; 65, Janos Trebolan; 66, Jozep Sanukanys; 67, Jozanac Uiridno; 68, Antoni Wieczek; 69, Antoni Wielmoney; 70, Ho Wing; 71, Harris Welnstein; 72, Leon Wierciawski; 73, Stanislaw Wrubleski; 74, Louis Walker; 75, Jozefa Zelinski; 76, August Zilginsky; 77, Josef Zaborski; 78, Kostanty Zygela; 79, Johan Zeiesko.

GERMAN LETTERS.

1, Johann Bahr; 2, Henriette Bucker; 3, Josef Dreseler; 4, Herman Gluckesman; 5, Hermina Hizsa; 6, Wilhelm Karl; 7, Emielle Munster; 8, Victor Richtman; 9, H. Rotzander; 10, Richard Schubert; 11, Wilhelm Stribert.

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KENTUCKY GIRLS TO SELL KISSES

Sweet Ones Expected to Bring Big Donations for Henry Clay's Monument.

THE BELLES ARE PATRIOTIC

SPECIAL TELEGRAM FROM JOHN P. COWAN, Staff Correspondent.

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 25.—Belles of old Kentucky today banded themselves together to play the role of Santa Claus for the people of the Blue Grass state. They have planned to make a gift in which the whole country is interested—to restore the mutilated statue of Henry Clay to the pedestal that surmounts the "Great Pacificator's" tomb in the Lexington cemetery.

Fifteen thousand dollars will be required. To raise this fund is no small task. Political difficulties stand in the way, but Kentucky women are not to be balked. Living pictures with Blue Grass beauties as the artist's models, dances with the same charming daughters in the costumes of Grecian maids, oriental damsels and fairy enchantresses, and the sale of Blue Grass kisses—offer the way for the realization of many a fat donation.

The girls here in Lexington originated the scheme. Here they will hold the first of their entertainments, but a "statue evening" promises to become the fad in the best society in every town in the state. Public entertainments will be given at brief intervals. But the drawing rooms of mansions which were noted for the brilliancy of their assemblages in the prosperous ante-bellum days once again will resound with the revelry of youth and beauty. "Statue germans" will be given and proud must be he who is privileged to lead the cotillion with the girl whose ancestors were lords of Virginia manors or whose grandfather rode with the intrepid Morgan.

Old Customes to Be Revived.

The costumes of the old Kentucky cavaliers of the days when Lexington was the western capital, will be brought forth again. In her great-grandmother's gown some pretty maiden will play the spinet while her aristocratic neighbors in the same quaint garb step through the graceful figures of the minuet.

And then darkies with the banjo will be brought in from the lodge houses and the big tobacco barn will be utilized for an old-time minstrel show—the same sort of entertainment that gave Stephen C. Foster the inspiration for his immortal song, "My Old Kentucky Home." This favorite melody, by the way, will be used as a sort of doxology and will be sung at the opening of each statue gathering.

The Clay statue in Lexington is one of the most noted in America. It was chiseled from marble and is of heroic proportions. It stands on a shaft over 100 feet in height. In July, 1903, a terrific thunderstorm broke over Lexington and a bolt of lightning severed the head from the statue as if by a headsman's ax. A bill in the state legislature appropriating the money necessary to repair the monument failed to become a law because Gov. J. C. W. Beckham is not in harmony with the politicians of Lexington and Fayette county. At the same time he succeeded in rushing through a bill giving $30,000 of the state's money for a magnificent bronze memorial to William Goebel.

The women of Lexington declare that they will not allow this disgrace to rest upon their proud commonwealth and that they will make every sacrifice to raise the $15,000. The audience was at the Christmas celebration has been significant and scores of young women are now enthusiastically enlisted in the patriotic cause.

GLENWOOD MEN FIGHT TO DEATH

One Dies of His Wounds and the Other Is in a Precarious Condition.

BATTLE WAS A BLOODY ONE

In a fight with knife and revolver, John Kundrak, aged 28, shot and killed James Popp, aged 29, in the latter's house at Herbert street and Dyke alley, Glenwood, at 9:30 o'clock last night. Both men were Hungarians. While Kundrak is cut in many places and is in a precarious condition, he may recover. The body of Popp was taken to the morgue and Kundrak was removed to the Mercy hospital. Inspector Bailey, Capt. Callan and Lieut. Emmet placed over a dozen witnesses in the Forbes street station house.

Popp keeps a boarding house and Kundrak lived with him and worked in the mills at Duquesne. The men were drinking with some of their countrymen on the second floor of the house. Popp and Kundrak had an argument which terminated in the men striking each other with beer bottles. Kundrak told Inspector Bailey that Popp drove him out of the room and down stairs. They fought on the stairway, and on reaching the first floor Kundrak rushed into Dyke alley.

Popp followed him and, Kundrak says, Popp drew a knife and cut him in five places on the head and neck and stabbed him several times in the breast. In order to save himself, Kundrak says, he drew a revolver and shot Popp through the breast and ran into the house. With a bullet through his lung, Popp staggered in the house to renew the fray with Kundrak. Popp was bleeding badly and as he rushed at his foe he fell exhausted on the floor.

The boarders interfered and Kundrak sank on the floor from loss of blood. Word was sent to the Second avenue police station and the officers responded in a patrol wagon. Inspector Bailey and Capt. Callan summoned physicians to attend the wounded men while they made an investigation. The witnesses, being Hungarians, the officers were unable to determine the cause of the shooting. Popp was placed in the patrol wagon and refused to tell anything about the trouble. When the physicians arrived Inspector Bailey made another effort to learn about the trouble from Popp, when the latter died in the wagon.

By this time Kundrak became unconscious and Capt. Callan had him revived sufficiently to tell something of the fight. With blood coming from his wounds in his neck, mouth and breast, Kundrak confessed to shooting Popp as the latter was stabbing him.

Their countrymen refused to reveal anything to the police and Inspector Bailey arrested all the boarders living in Popp's house. The officers were unable to persuade Kundrak to tell the cause of the fight, but John Popp, a brother of the dead man, said the fight was a renewal of an altercation of a week ago. Both men were married.

Milk Wagon Rolled Down Hill.

Ice on the street caused a milk wagon belonging to E. E. Reick & Co. to slide down a hill 500 feet long in Sheridan avenue, Bellevue, yesterday morning. The wagon was damaged and about 25 gallons of milk was spilled.

Charles Lockhart Improving.

The condition of Charles Lockhart, who has been critically ill at his home in North Highland avenue, was reported last night as much improved.

PAINTINGS IN THE CARNEGIE GALLERIES (NO. 21.)

"In from the Sea," by Robert W. Allan.
Central Gallery, East Wall, Catalogue Number 9.

Robert Weir Allan, whose strong and eminently individual seascape and landscape work has done as much, perhaps, as that of any other artist to make known the rugged scenery of Scotland, was brought up in a quiet and refined home amongst thoroughly artistic surroundings.

Robert W. Allan, London, England; born, Glasgow, Scotland; member of the Royal Society of Painters in Water Colors, London; represented in collections at Aberdeen, Dunedin, Leeds, Manchester, Melbourne and Sydney; silver medal, exposition universelle, Paris, 1899; honorable mention, Carnegie institute, 1900; member of the international jury of award of the Carnegie institute in 1901.

Mr. Allan was not, as is so often taken for granted, a member of the Glasgow school of art, the truth being that he, with a few others like him, merely paved the way for its foundation. He really belongs to no individual school, his sympathies being far too wide to be called in any sense local. His seascapes are instinct with the salt atmosphere of the ocean, and it is Mr. Allan's works of this description perhaps which have done more than any others to win him the place he holds among the artists of the present day.

MERCY TEMPERED MOOD OF JUSTICE

Majority of Prisoners Before Police Magistrates of Both Cities Were Discharged.

TOO MUCH CHRISTMAS CHEER

Premature Christmas cheer was responsible for the appearance of between 200 and 300 persons before the police magistrates of the two cities yesterday morning. Fortunately for a majority of the prisoners the magistrates were imbued with the Christmas spirit, and were very lenient, discharging the greater number of the offenders.

At Central station there were 102 prisoners, and of these an even hundred were discharged. Martin Yeddis was fined $10 and costs for trying to pass a confederate $20 bill, and William Gilmore, arrested as a suspicious character, was held over for five days. William Jones, a negro, was fined $5 and costs for insulting a woman, and J. H. Thoma was fined $15 and costs for abusing his wife, but both fines were later remitted and the prisoners freed.

At the East End and Oakland stations there were 40 prisoners and 33 were discharged. Thomas Lewis was fined $50 and costs and Thomas Templeton and John Edwards $25 and costs each for resisting arrest and assaulting Policeman Frank Grada in Soho street on Saturday night.

At the South Side station hearings there were 41 cases. Sixteen persons were charged with drunkenness and were released. Frank Blake, 2823 Edwards alley; Patrick Haley, 2210 Larkins alley, and Ralph Richardson, 2516 Sidney street, arrested in connection with the loss of $75 belonging to William Bloxson, who lives near Haley, were released after giving Bloxson the amount he had lost. Haley had nearly that amount upon him when arrested. Leopold Wurst of Quarry street was fined $50 and costs or 90 days for turning his family out of doors. Steve Berger, Steve Buscoe, Frank Walser and Joseph Echaw, Poles, arrested in a raid upon 14 Enon street, where they were playing "twenty-one," were discharged. Frank Beowich, Sam Stejsonwich, Frank Berick, Frank Hodgwer and Lawrence Bravage, charged with the same offense at South Thirteenth and Carson streets, had the same luck. Peter Trocovich, Mike Brosich, Joe Bunafski and Joe Trocovick were having a good time, including a fight, at 1306 Muriel street, when arrested early in the morning. It cost each of them $10 and costs. Charles Moore, alias "Chicago Kid," of Brownsville avenue, was sent to the workhouse for 20 days. He was released only last Monday. He was accused of robbing drunken men.

Twenty-five prisoners were at the Lawrenceville station. The greater number were discharged and the others paid small fines.

All of the 13 prisoners in Allegheny were discharged.

Russian Student Lectured.

S. Bassis, recently a Russian student at Warsaw, addressed the Tiphereth Zion society in Zion institute, Center avenue, last night, on "Russian Zionism." Samuel S. Shapira read a paper on "Uganda," which was followed by a general discussion.

CLASSIC MUSIC IN THE CHURCHES

High Plane of Choral Work Was Established by Local Congregations.

FESTIVITIES FOR THE CHILDREN

Musical services in churches of all denominations in the two cities yesterday overstepped the high plane previously established in the rendition of artistic and classical choral music. For weeks choirs, organists and musical directors among all congregations had labored earnestly in rehearsal and the results of those efforts yesterday added materially to the celebration of that event of fundamental importance in church history—the birth of Christ.

Evergreen, mistletoe, floral wreaths, potted plants, and cut flowers, were in profuse evidence in all houses of worship and were most lavishly displayed in Catholic, Episcopal and Lutheran churches, while many congregations of other denominations paid much attention to beautifying their altars, choir lofts and church interiors.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the attendance at the churches was very large, and with few exceptions, only those going to and from worship cared to venture from their cheerful firesides and Christmas trees.

Special exercises and treats for the children of the Sunday schools were given in many churches yesterday afternoon and evening, although a majority of congregations held these festivities either Saturday night or have arranged for them this evening. Decorated Christmas trees were more in favor this year than ever before, while the immortal Santa Claus was omnipresent. The historic chimney was also called upon to play an important role in the descent of the old man and many little hearts were gladdened by his liberal distribution of confections and presents.

Special services were held in nearly all hospitals and public institutions yesterday afternoon. Ornamented Christmas trees and other appropriate decorations were also in evidence to lighten the hearts of the suffering, while the munificence of many unknown philanthropists made it possible for many unfortunates to share in the good cheer that prevailed everywhere in the fulfillment of the legends of the day.

Interurban Cars Enter New Castle.

NEW CASTLE, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The interurban cars of the Youngstown and the Sharon trolley lines entered this city last night after a fight of 18 months. The night previous Judge Wallace issued a preliminary injunction at the request of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and arguments will be heard Wednesday. Yesterday representatives of the companies reached a temporary agreement to allow the cars to enter, pending a final settlement.

Russian Refugees Arrive.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Patricia, which arrived today from Hamburg, brought 131 cabin and 2,435 steerage passengers. The greater number of those in the steerage were from Russian Poland, and came here to escape conscription. The cabin passengers were treated tonight to a Christmas tree an a dinner.

CHRISTMAS DRUNK FATAL TO THREE

Suffocated Owing to Blaze in Philadelphia—Other Man Dies Similarly.

EIGHT ESCAPE FROM A FIRE

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—Four men were suffocated and eight other persons were rescued from fire in three different parts of the city early today. At a boarding house at 1746 Wood street Charles McCusker, aged 44, James Merry, aged 48 and Joseph McGill, died in a trap made by themselves. Against the wishes and the knowledge of their boarding house keeper, the three men took a quantity of whisky to their room. They placed one of the two beds in the apartment against the door to prevent interference by the boarding house keeper. After the men had retired a lighted candle fell from a mantel on the greasy working clothes of one of the men. The clothing was ignited and the room was soon filled with a thick smoke. McGill was awakened by the smoke but was unable to move the bed from the door and fell to the floor unconscious. The boarding house proprietor discovered the smoke and when the room was broken into McCusker and Merry were dead. McGill died soon after being removed to a hospital.

At 1135 Fairmount avenue Edward Rathtine, aged 25, and believed to be a resident of New Jersey, was also suffocated. It is believed he set the bed clothes on fire with a lighted cigar and in trying to leave the room crowled into a closet by mistake, where he was found dead.

The occupants of the house at 4226 Germantown avenue were more fortunate. The property loss at this place was greater than at the other two houses, but Mrs. David Dean and the other members of her family were either rescued by firemen or saved themselves by jumping from windows. They suffered considerably from exposure, as a driving snowstorm was prevailing at the time.

LEETSDALE INN BURNED.

Guests Had to Get Out in a Hurry. Fire Was Caused by a Gas Explosion.

The 100 guests of the Leetsdale inn, Washington street, Leetsdale, were forced to make a hurried exit at 7:45 last evening, when the building caught fire in the rear of the second story, from an explosion of gas, and was totally destroyed.

W. C. Washburn, the proprietor, left for Pittsburgh at 6:30 p. m. and in about a half-hour the building was a mass of flames. The fire was discovered by a chambermaid, who spread the alarm and the guests escaped with nothing but a few articles hurriedly collected. The Leetsdale fire department was soon on the scene, but was powerless to stop the flames.

The hotel was a three-story frame structure 250x300 feet, and contained 40 rooms. It was owned by James B. Oliver of Shields and was valued at $15,000. The structure burned like tinder, rendering it impossible to save anything. The loss will be $15,000, partly covered by insurance.

Mr. Washburn was notified on the train before he reached Pittsburgh, and returned to find the inn a smouldering heap of ashes.

BALDWIN'S SHIP SAILS THE AIR

Travels 20 Miles an Hour in California and Is Easily Maneuvered.

ASCENDS PROBABLY 3,000 FEET

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 25.—Capt. Baldwin's airship, "California Arrow," driven by Roy Knabenshue of Toledo, O., who made several successful flights in the same machine from the world's fair grounds at St. Louis, was given its first trial in California today and was successful, with the single exception of its failure to land at the starting point, owing to running short of gasoline. A landing was effected half a mile away without damage to the machine, and it was safely towed back to its anchorage.

The machine was in flight an hour and 15 minutes, and in that time sailed a distance of probably 20 miles. When flying with the wind the Arrow traveled at a speed of 20 miles an hour, and returning directly in the face of the strong southeastern gale was able to make between six and eight miles an hour.

The airship was maneuvered in every direction, responding readily to its rudder, circling and turning in any direction, sailing directly in the face of the wind or at any angle, and rising and dipping as the operator directed. The Arrow rose at times to a height of probably 3,000 feet or more, with Knabenshue regulating the height by shifting his weight and raising or lowering the bow of the craft as he desired to ascend or descend.

W. I. GEORGE TO LECTURE.

Will Speak Here on Republic Founded by Him for Boys and Girls.

William I. George, founder of the George Junior Republic at Freeville, N. Y., will lecture under the co-auspices of the Current Topics class and Young Men's Hebrew association in the Eighth street temple next Wednesday evening on the "Rise and Progress of the George Junior Republic." The general public has been invited.

The George Junior Republic was founded in 1893 and comprises a settlement of boys and girls from the slum district of New York city, who conduct a government of their own, electing their own officers and maintaining workshops and stores, using a coinage of their own. The purpose of the settlement is to bring the children to a higher understanding of the duties of good citizenship, meanwhile giving them a practical industrial education.

LITTLE GIRL A SWITCHMAN.

Thirteen-Year-Old Daughter of York County Tollgate Keeper Employed by Traction Company.

YORK, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Miss Nancy May Shive, the 13-year-old daughter of Jacob Shive, a tollgate keeper, near here, lays claim to being the only girl switchtender in the United States. For three years Miss Shive has been attending the switch at Violet Hill on one of the lines of the York County Traction Company. She first took up this employment as a favor to some of the suburban motormen. She was so attentive to her work and manipulated the switch bar so well that she was placed on the pay roll of the company.

Yesterday the motormen and conductors presented her with $25 in gold.

Turkey Dinner for Morganza Inmates.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The authorities of the Western Pennsylvania State Reform school at Morganza will give the inmates of the institution a big Christmas celebration tomorrow. A turkey dinner will be served and presents from friends and relatives will be distributed.

Life Prisoner Is Pardoned.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 25.—Joseph J. Levo, a life prisoner from Cincinnati, received a pardon at the Ohio penitentiary today. Levo was a clerk in a railroad office, when in a fit of passion he shot and killed a young woman who had jilted him. He has served 12 years. The pardon was granted because of Levo's exemplary conduct in prison.

Ohio Man Kidnaped by Detectives.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—George E. Letcher of San Jose, wanted by the Ohio authorities on the charge of arson, alleged to have been committed in that state 25 years ago, has been kidnaped by detectives and taken to Martinez, where the eastern overland train was boarded.

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CHARLES F. DODGE GUARDED BY JEROME'S DETECTIVES

His Attorney Says Bar Association Will Likely Take Action Against Certain Lawyers.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Charles F. Dodge, who was brought back to this city from Texas on Friday, to stand trial on a charge of perjury in connection with the Morse-Dodge divorce tangle and who was released on his own recognizance yesterday at the request of District Attorney Jerome, was guarded today by several members of the detective staff attached to the office of the district attorney. He received no visitors and did not leave his hotel. His attorney, former Assistant District Attorney James W. Osborne, said that whatever has been done by Mr. Jerome in providing suitable guards for Dodge, has been wholly acquiesced in by Dodge.

It is said that there will be no move made in the case until Dodge goes before the grand jury, probably on Wednesday, as a witness.

District Attorney Jerome today stated that he had not called on the Bar association to take action against certain lawyers in connection with the Dodge-Morse case.

Mr. Osborne, speaking of the probable action of the Bar association, said: "It is almost certain that the Bar association will take some steps in the matter, but not until Mr. Jerome has completed his investigation of the case. I do not think it likely that the Bar association will make any move until Mr. Jerome is all through with the case; then, if there has been anything done amiss by any counsel in the case the Bar association can feel that it has the right to act, if the district attorney does not.

Engineer Was Badly Injured.

Arthur Farr, aged 40, an engineer on one of the dinkey engines at the Edgar Thomson steel works, Braddock, was badly injured yesterday forenoon. Farr leaned from the window of his cab and his head struck an upright steel girder, fracturing his skull. He was taken to Mercy hospital on a special street car. Farr's home is in Turtle Creek.

Portion of Ship's Cargo Burns.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 25.—Fire of an unknown origin destroyed a portion of the cargo of the North German Lloyd steamer Brandeberg today. Two hundred bales of cotton, destined for Bremen, were thrown overboard and a number of hogsheads of tobacco were also thrown into the harbor.

Arrivals at Pittsburgh Hotels.

Henry—H. A. Lewis, Altoona; George M. Finchell, W. C. Sells, Columbus, O.; Frank Rappold, East Liverpool, O.; R. J. Cochran, Dawson; C. F. Yard, Punxsutawney.

Newells—J. K. Parker, H. T. Deckman, Malvern, O.

Duquesne—W. H. Watt, East Liverpool, O.; C. S. Hills, Springfield, O.

Seventh Avenue—L. P. Shields, Columbus, O.; J. W. Allen, J. R. Smith, Wheeling, R. C. and C. B. Prickett, Greensboro; I. L. French, Dawson.

Colonial—M. J. Morris, Beaver; M. C. Young, Hollidaysburg; R. L. Miller, California, Pa.

Lincoln—W. H. Swayne, Bellefonte; J. Armstrong, Wellsville, O.

Monongahela—John C. Meff, Masontown; C. S. Collier, Monongahela.

Anther—F. T. Love, Johnstown; H. W. Whitesell, Huntingdon.

Head from Henry Clay's statue which was severed from the trunk by a thunderbolt.

GROWING UP

There's something the matter with the child that fails to grow up. A child that grows up too much, however, without proper filling out of flesh, is almost as badly off. Nothing will help these pale, thin "weedy" children like Scott's Emulsion. It supplies the rounding out of flesh and the rich inward nourishment of blood and vital organs which insures rapid growth a healthy and uniform development.

THE THREE RIVERS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 25.—At 6 p. m. today the Ohio river at Cincinnati was 3.8 feet and falling. Capt. J. A. Fenland, wharfmaster, fell and broke his left arm between the elbow and the shoulder Saturday. Cloudy and warm.

MORGANTOWN—River 6 feet 6 inches and stationary. Clear.

WARREN—River 2 feet 6 inches and falling slowly. Cloudy and cool.

STEUBENVILLE—River 2 feet 2 inches and rising. Cloudy and cold.

WHEELING—River 2 feet and 8 inches and rising. Cloudy and cool, with rain.

LOUISVILLE—River stationary; in canal, 2.8 feet; on falls, 6 feet; below locks, 8.8 feet. Cloudy and warm.

POINT PLEASANT—River 1 foot and rising. Cloudy and cool.

GALLIPOLIS—River 1 foot 11 inches and rising slowly. Cloudy and cool. No boats.

OIL CITY—River 4 feet 3 inches and falling. Cloudy and cold.

The stage of water at Davis island dam at 9 o'clock last night was 5.7 feet, and the river was stationary.

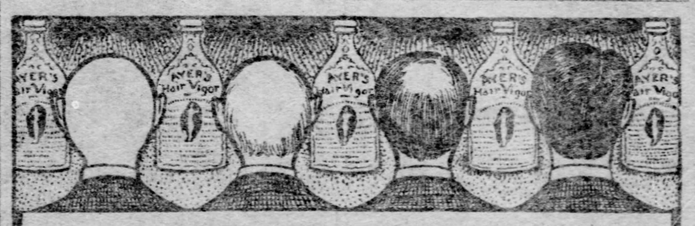
RIVER FELL TOO RAPIDLY.

To Save Wickets Davis Island Dam Was Lowered and Coal Hoist Upset.

The authorities at Davis island dam became afraid yesterday of the ice which was expected to come down with the slight rise in the river, caused by Saturday's thaw and rain, and decided to lower the wickets to prevent them from being damaged. The wickets were lowered, and the water ran out of the harbor so fast, rapidly reducing the height of water, that some damage was caused.

The Dilworth Coal Company has a coal hoist at the foot of Locust street, Allegheny. The only man aboard was a watchman, and he was unable to push the boat on which the hoist is placed, fast enough out into the river to save it from being grounded. The edge of the flat soon touched the ground and finally upset as the water fell, smashing some machinery and causing a loss of several hundred dollars.

A number of coal flats and barges belonging to coal companies were stranded in the lower part of the harbor. If the water should remain low the flats and boats will be strained by the weight of coal in them, but with a rise in the river they and their loads will float again.



This your head to the left?

Then there's no use trying. It's too late! Nothing in the world can make hair grow on a bald scalp that has been smooth and shiny for years. It's too late! No use trying now!

Or is this yours to the right?

Good. Only look out for dandruff! It leads straight to baldness. But there's use trying now, for Ayer's Hair Vigor cures dandruff, keeps the scalp clean and healthy, and checks falling hair.

Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.
Also manufacturers of
AYER'S SARSAPARILLA—For the blood. AYER'S PILLS—For constipation.
AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL—For coughs. AYER'S AGUE CURE—For malaria and ague.

VALUES IN THE HANDS OF INVESTORS IMPROVED

Contrasted With Christmas of a Year Ago Wall Street Has Much to Be Thankful for This Holiday Season.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Contrasted with conditions prevailing one year ago, Wall street has much to be thankful for at this, the holiday season. It is true that certain problems loom up in the market, and to many speculative holders of securities, the season is not as merry as it promised to be at the outset of the month, and before the recent violent collapse in prices.

Still there never yet was a time when the security market was without a problem to deal with. Despite the break and the losses which have fallen upon many speculators, much that threatened ill a year ago has been put behind us, and inventory values in the hands of all investors and institutions are greatly improved.

Far-sighted men, with scarcely an exception, one year ago expressed the confident belief that the year would prove one of recuperation, following the cataclysm in the markets of 1903. There were problems in the market then as now, but each was taken up in turn, and solved with satisfaction. Few of the experts who spoke so hopefully of a year of recuperation 12 months ago, looked for a wild speculative market, or a remarkable price enhancement in securities. Many of them were out of harmony with that feature when it developed. They're hopes were based upon industrial revival, and their predictions were justified by the improvement that has taken place. It is doubtful if this improvement has been as great as has been represented in Wall street, but it has been satisfactory in many industries, and the future promises are abundant.

Thinks are a trifle less rosy when one pauses to take a second look at them. In the first flush of speculative enthusiasm little or no attention was paid to the losses sustained during the period of business depression, which have to be made good. Certain capital readjustment schemes proposed in recent days, some of them entailing a "sweating" of securities and an assessment of stocks, or the cutting down of issues, calls attention to that fact. Under such conditions prospective capital issues lose some of their claims, and of other capital issues men begin to ask why if great earnings keep up should corporations continually be borrowers of money. At such times more attention is devoted to such features as diminishing staple exports, gold shipments, following hard upon an inflation of paper money and silver dollars. Even the cheapness of money, instead of being hailed as a most favorable factor, finds its captious critics, who point to it as a detriment rather than an aid, holding it to be self-evident that business cannot be so marvelously improved if money goes begging at 3½@3½ per cent for six-month periods.

It is better that these matters receive attention than that they be ignored, and the periods of rest in the market afford ample opportunity for a consideration of both sides of the question involved in the future. In view of the rapidity and extent of advances, and the prevailing high level of prices, it is wholly desirable that these features receive such attention as they deserve. It seems highly probable that they will be considered. Whatever else Mr. Lawson may have done, he has contributed somewhat in knocking some false notions in the head. It ought to be quite clear to many persons that speculative stock markets are unstable, and that high prices are not permanent prices. In the revelations concerning manipulation, some of the romance ought for a time to be eliminated from Wall street. Some gulls by this time ought to know that the chief end of these stimulated markets is summed up in the words: "Sell our stock first." Nothing, however, will be lost in the end by such knowledge if it but teaches the lessons of cautious and discriminating purchases, and turns the attention of the public from speculative counters and crazy gambling to sound investments.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—(Special Cable.)—If the days are gone when the stock exchange could continue wild street dealings in Americans and Kaffirs until late on Christmas eve, the recent revival in business has been sufficiently pronounced to insure most members a merry holiday, from the financial point of view, at any rate.

With the Christmas holidays and the end of the year at hand, business on the stock exchange last week was quiet, but a decidedly hopeful feeling was prevalent and the opinion was frequently expressed that the year 1905 will be a much more prosperous year than was 1904.

During the last week the volume of orders slackened considerably, but since only the most inveterate optimist or money maker expects to be busy in the last account of the year, this consideration did not trouble members of the house very much.

Stocks of British railways are considered a promising field for investment. The companies have suffered from the check to trade, and when business revives their earnings are expected to show a marked expansion. The prospect of better dividends has been increased by the new spirit of co-operation which is coming over the English railway companies.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK IN THE LOCAL MARKETS

Heavy Drop in Eggs Proved Sensation of Week in This Section.

The week's Christmas business wound up with a tremendous rush the three last days. Liberty avenue merchants were busy up to the closing hour Saturday, and practically everything was cleaned out. High prices suffered a tumble, and this put the public in a buying humor.

The first of the week it was confidently predicted turkeys were going to figure as high as they did for Thanksgiving. During the week the receipts were heavy and the warmer weather coming on forced great stocks of the birds on the market. Dealers were well enough satisfied to unload, and prices dropped down until 12 cents per pound could be had on the avenue at 20 and 22 cents a pound. Christmas greens also took a fall during the week, and Saturday they could be had at any price, as dealers were all anxious to get rid of them at any price.

The sensation of the week was the break in the egg market. Fresh eggs are now down to 29 cents, a drop of 6 cents in two days. A further drop this week is confidently looked for. The reduction is due to warmer weather in the west and the consequent resumption of the hens in laying. Eggs are plentiful now all through the west, and the big gatherers and shippers are already beginning to complain of cheap eggs. The public is well satisfied, as the retail price of 35 and 38 cents a dozen for strictly fresh was a little hard to meet.

The provision market is steadily declining, prices being marked down again Saturday from one-half to a cent. It is not believed that the decline will extend much farther, but that prices will be maintained at the present level for a few weeks. When the country pork begins to run out the price will probably ascend again. The immense corn crop this year, however, is being turned into pork most generously, and this will probably have an effect in keeping the provision market down for some little time.

The butter market moved up a half cent Saturday, the Elgin board having met that day and advanced the price. The advance was somewhat of a surprise to the dealers, who had been confidently expecting a reduction. It is generally believed, however, that the market will not long retain its present figure, as the demand is slow and substitutes are finding a ready sale.

Stocks of fruit and produce were pretty well run down last week, and the leading items showed the following on hand Saturday: Apples, 41 cars; bananas, 23 cars; oranges, 12 cars; miscellaneous, 9 cars.

HAY AND GRAIN.

Receipts.

Receipts of hay and grain Saturday were as follows: Pennsylvania lines, 13 cars hay, 1 car straw, 6 cars oats, 1 car rye, 6 cars corn, 5 cars feed, 2 cars corn and oats; Baltimore & Ohio, 23 cars hay, 1 car feed; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, 4 cars oats, 1 car hay.

The hay and grain market showed remarkable strength last week and a good business was carried on all week. Prices held firm in every line except hay, which fell off a little Friday in the face of heavy receipts. Car corn moved up a little during the week, and the supply is so short as to augur another advance this week unless receipts increase materially. The supply of oats is being rapidly depleted in the market and the receipts are so light as to threaten a sharp advance in that line. Millfeed has made little or no change and the demand is not so heavy as might be expected at this time of year. Wheat and oat straw continue strong, with receipts light. Rye is cutting little figure in the market and the demand for it is light. Dealers do not expect any heavy business now until after the middle of the month, and practically nothing will be doing during the holiday week.

No. 1 timothy...$13.00@13.25
No. 2 timothy...$11.50@12.00
No. 1 clover mix...$13.25@13.50
No. 1 mixed...$12.75@13.00
Loose from wagon...$14.00@16.00
Straw, oat...$7.25@7.50
do wheat...$7.25@7.50
do rye...$12.00@12.50
No. 2 white oats...35½@36c
No. 3 white oats...35@35½c
No. 4 oats...33½@34½c
White middlings, No. 1, ton...$22.50@23.00
No. 2 mid-dlings...$21.25@21.75
do brown...$19.00@19.50
Bran, ton...$19.50@20.00
Wheat, No. 2 red, at mill...$1.06@1.08
New yellow shelled...48½@50c
New high mixed...48½@49c
New yellow ear...54½@55c
No. 2 rye, western...90½@91c

FRUITS.

Lemons, Messinas...$3.00@3.25
Oranges, Florida...$2.25@2.75
Navel...$2.75@3.25
Cocoanuts, bag...$3.50@4.00
do doz...65@75c
Figs, cartons...75@80c
do layers...8@12c
do washed, stuffed, doz...$2.25
Dates, stuffed...18c
Bananas 1st...$1.50@2.00
do 2nds...$1.00@1.50
Pineapples, crate...$3.00@3.50
Tangerines, Fla., box...$3.50
do ½ box...$1.75
Malaga grapes...$5.00@6.00
do Catawba, 4-lb...10@11c
Grape fruit...$3.50@4.00
Apples, fancy, Kings, bbl...$2.75@3.00
do Baldwin...$2.25@2.50
do Palisades (Col.) box...$2.25
do other varieties...$2.25@2.50
Choice...$1.25@1.50
Limes, per 100...75c@$1.00
Pears, Keifers, Ohio and N. Y., bbls...$2.00@2.50
do Cal. box...$3.00

JOBBERS' YARD PRICES.

Potatoes, Mich., carlots...40@50c
do bu...40@48c
do Ohio, carlots...53@55c
do bu...65@80c
Onions, bbl...$2.00@2.50
do bu...$1.00@1.10
Cabbage, G. seed, ton...$13.00@14.00
do domestic, ton...$8.00@8.50
Apples, fancy, bbl...$1.90@2.50
do choice, bbl...$1.25@1.50
do bulk, bbl...$1.00@1.25
Sweets, K. D., Jersey, bbl...$3.50@3.75
do crate...$1.15@1.20
Rutabagas, bu...30@35c
Carrots, ton...$15.00@16.00
Parsnips, ton...$18.00@20.00
Squash, Hub, ton...$10.00@12.00
do marrowfat, ton...$8.00@9.00
Turnips, bbl...$1.25@1.50
Celery, ...$1.50@1.75
Holly, crates...$2.25@2.50

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

Holly, crate...$2.50@2.75
do wreaths, doz...$1.25@1.50
Ground pine, yd...4@5c
do wreaths, doz...$1.25@1.50
Ground moss, bbl...$2.00@2.25
do crate...$1.00@1.25
Christmas trees, bundle...$1.00@1.25
Immortelles, doz...$3.00@3.50
Magnolia wreaths, doz...$1.25@1.50
Laurel wreaths, doz...$1.25@1.50
do yard...4@5c
Mistletoe, lb...20@25c
Needle pines, doz...$1.75@2.00
California pepperwood, crate...$7.00@8.00

NUTS.

Filberts...11@12c
Eng. walnuts...12@15c
do dom...90c@$1.00
S. S. almonds...16½c
Tarr. almonds...15c
Mixed...10@11c
Brazil...9@11c
Italian chestn'ts...9@10c
do domestic, choice, lb...5½@6c
do fancy, lb...8@9c
do dried Italian, lb...7c
Shellbarks, bu...$1.50@1.75
do new...$1.75@2.00
Pecans...10c
Peanuts, fancy roasted...$1.60
do choice...$1.50

HIDES.

No. 1 green steer, heavy...9c
do light, under 60 lbs, and cows, all weights...8c
No. 1 green bulls...6c
Green salt or cured, No. 1 steers, over 60 lbs...11c
do No. 2...9c
Cows and lig't hides...10c
Calfskin, No. 1...12c

GROCERIES.

Flour.
Fancy spg. patent, quarters, in paper...$6.30@6.35
Fancy winter patent...$5.85@6.05
Straight win...$5.45@5.60
Rye...$4.50@4.75
Grahams...$4.65@4.75
Cornmeal, bbl...$3.25@3.40
do 10-lb cotton bags...16½@17c
Buckwheat...$3.00@3.25
Rolled oats, bbl...$4.25
do kegs...$2.40
Roasted Coffee.
Rio...14@14½c
Santos...23@24c
Maracaibo...15½@16c
Peaberry...18@18½c
Golden Rio...15½@16c
Caracas...20@20½c
Standard, pkgs...13.55c
High grade...18½@19½c
Molasses, fancy, refined...35@36c
do choice...31@34c
do open ket...37@38c
Syrup.
Fancy syrup...28@30c
Maple sugar, gal...$1.10
Sug. and cane...24@25c
Prime...24@25c
¼-lb cans, doz...$1.90
½-lb cans, doz...$1.10
5-lb cans, doz...$1.85
10-lb cans, doz...$3.40
Maple, gal...75c@$1.00
Oatmeal, bbl...$5.25
Cracked wheat...$2.75
Sugar, sta, gran...5.85c
do bags...5.85c
do 2-lb carton...6.05c
do 5-lb bags...6.05c
do pow'd, XXXX...6.00c
do cut loaf...6.05c
do cubes...6.15c
do conf. A...5.15@5.75c
do No. 1 yellow...5.75c
do No. 2 yellow...5.40c
do No. 3 yellow...5.40c
Rena.
Navy, choice, H. P...$1.90@1.95
Red kidney...$3.25@3.35
Cal. lima, lb...5½@5½c
Peas, dried, bu...$1.25@1.35
do split, lb...4½c
bu...$2.00@2.10
do marrowfat, bu...$2.00@2.10
Oil, carbon, 110 deg...11½c
do headlight...12½c
do water white...10c
do Ohio W. W., 150 deg...12½c
do Elaine...10c
do special brands...26@43c
Rice, ex-fancy head, lb...6@6½c
do fancy...
Japan...4@4¼c
do choice, Carolina...5½@5½c
Salt, No. 1 bbl...$1.10
do No. 2 extra...$1.20
do gran. rock...95c
do pocket...$1.65@1.95
do dairy...$1.50
Lentils, fancy 40-gal. cask...$5.00
do 15-gal. keg...$2.25
Sauerkraut, 40-gal. cask...$5.00
do 15-gal. keg...$2.25

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, bu, store...55@60c
Jersey sweets, kiln dried, bbl...$3.75@4.00
do hamp'r...$1.25@1.50
do crates...$1.35@1.40
Onions, yellow Danvers, bbl...$2.50@2.75
do bu...$1.10@1.15
Spanish, per crate...$1.75@1.85
Carrots, bbl...$1.50@1.75
do hamp'rs...90c@$1.00
Parsnips, bbl...$1.50@1.75
Cucumbers, Boston, doz...$1.75@2.00
Cabbage, domestic, bbl...$1.00@1.25
do ton...$11.00@12.00
do Savoy, bbl...$1.00@1.25
do German seed, ton...$14.00@15.00
do bbl...$1.00@1.25
Ohio celery...20@30c
do Cal...60@65c
Brussels sprouts, quart...12½@15c
Spinach, do bu hamp'rs...65@75c
Honey, new...15@16c
Extra fancy...17c
do Miller's, 12 sec...18½c
Beets, bbls...$1.50@1.75
Popcorn, lb...4@5c
Eggplant, Florida, crates...$3.00@3.50
Squash, marrowfats, bbl...$1.00@1.25
do Hubbard, bbl...$1.25@1.50
Rutabagas...$1.15@1.25
Peppers, bu...50c@$1.00
Mushrooms, per lb...35@40c
Cauliflower, Cal., crates...$2.25@2.50
Garlic, lb...7@8c
Cranberries, per crate...$1.75@2.25
Horseradish, bbl...$5.00@6.00
Turnips, bu...50@60c
do bbl...$1.50@1.75
Watercress, doz...45@50c
Lettuce, baskets...25c

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, sta. pie...$1.10
do pie, gal...$2.50@3.00
do California, Lg. fancy...$1.65@2.25
do Maryland...$1.45@1.65
do California, Y. F...$1.80@2.00
Corn, fancy...$1.10@1.20
do stan...90c@$1.20
Cherries, red, white...$2.50@2.75
Lima beans...$1.25@1.45
do soaked...75@80c
String beans, 2-lb...70c
do 3-lb...95c
Stringless beans...$1.25@1.75
Peas, marrowfat...$8@90c
do early June...92@95c
do soaked...55@65c
Apples, N. Y., gal. cans...$2.15@2.25
Pineapples...$1.25@2.50
Plums, California...$1.55@1.60
Raspberries...85@95c
Gooseberries...85@90c
Tomatoes, fancy...$1.15@1.35
do standard...80@85c
do gal...$2.50@2.55
Succotash, 1-lb cans...$1.25@1.40
Baked beans, cans, tomato sc...75@95c
Salmon, red, doz...90c@$2.00
do red, 1-lb flats...$1.00@1.30
1-lb flats...$1.65@2.00
do pink, 1-lb talls...$1.81@2.10
Chipped beef...$2.25@2.75
Corn and roast beef, 2-lb cans...$2.40@2.45
do 1-lb cans...$1.30@1.35
Mackerel, broiled...$1.90@2.50
Sardines, domestic, ¼s...$3.45@3.60
do mustards, ¼s...$2.60
do French...$9.50@18.50

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live hens...10@12c
do roosters...6@7c
do turkeys...15@17c
do spring chickens...10@12c
do geese...11@12c
do ducks...13@14c
Dressed hens...14@15c
do roosters...10@11c
do turkeys...20@22c
do spring chickens...15@16c
do Long Island ducklings...20c
do ducks...16@17c
do capon, lb...26@27c
Squab, doz...$4.00
do No. 2...$3.75
Ducks, ruddy...$1.25
do red head...$1.75@3.00
do canvasback...$2.75@3.00
Impt. golden plover, doz...$5.50
do black plover...$4.50
do grouse...$2.50
do partridges...$2.25
English pheasants, per pair...$3.25
Reed birds, doz...$1.25
Snappers, per lb...9@10c
Rabbits, pair...30@75c
Woodchuck...40@50c
Suckling pigs, lb...10@12c
Pigeons, doz...90c@$1.00

HERBS.

Sage, doz...20@25c
Summer savory, doz...20@25c
Sweet marjoram, doz...20@25c
Lemon thyme, doz...20@25c

PROVISIONS.

Hams.
18 lbs and up...9½c
Over 14 to 18 lbs...9½c
Over 10 to 14 lbs...10c
10 lbs and under...10c
Skinned...10c
Boneless boiled...16c
California...9½c
Shoulders, N. Y., cut...8½c
do skinned...9c
Kilts, 8 to 10 lbs...10½c
do 10 to 12 lbs...9¾c
do back strips...9¾c
do clears, 8 to 10 lbs...11c
do 10 to 12 lbs...10½c
Breakfast bacon, back strips...10c
Dry salt sides, extra short clears...8¼c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs...8¼c
do 18 to 20 lbs...8½c
do under 16 lbs...8¾c
Dry salt smoked sides, extra short clears...9c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs...9¼c
do 16 to 20 lbs...9¼c
do under 16 lbs...9¾c
Lard, pure, tierces...7@7½c

DRIED FRUIT.

Apricots, evap., bags...10@12c
do 25-lb boxes...10½@12½c
Apples, bulk...6½@7c
do 1-lb cartons...7½@8c
Peaches...7@10½c
Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkg...7½@7¾c
Raisins, Muscatel, 2 and 4 crown 50-lb boxes...6@6½c
do Ondaria Val...8@8½c
do Cal. Val...7@7½c
Currants, cleaned, 25 and 60-lb pkgs...8½@6¾c
Prunes...5@8c

SEEDS

Clover, from store, recleaned, 60-lb bu small...$8.15@8.20
do mammoth...$8.10@8.20
do crimson...$4.00@4.75
do white...
Timothy, $3.75@11.50
Flaxseed...$1.50@1.55
Alsike...$8.50@9.25
Alfalfa...$8.50@9.00
Millet, Western...$1.25@1.50
Southern...$1.75@1.80
Grass, Hungarian...90c@$1.00
do lawn, lb...16@18c
do blues, 14-lb bu...$1.25@1.50
do No. 2 Irish, 50-lb tubs...$5.00
Lake herring, 100 lbs...$3.25
do 30-lb...$1.85
do 10-lb...50c

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl...$26.00
do half bbl...$11.50
do quar. bbl...$6.00
Mackerel, No. 1 plain, bbl...$20.00
do half bbls...$10.50
do quar. bbl...$6.25
do 20-lb pails...$2.40
do 10-lb pails...$1.75
Mackerel, No. 2 large, bbl...$16.50
do half bbls...$8.50
do quar. bbls...$4.35
do 20-lb pails...$1.90
do 10-lb pails...$1.00
do No. 2 Irish, 50-lb tubs...$5.00
Lake herring, 100 lbs...$3.25
do 30-lb...$1.85
do 10-lb...50c

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Dairy...21½@22½c
Cheese, N. Y. full cream, new...13½@13½c
do Ohio crm...12½@13c
do ¾ cream, new...11@11½c
do Wis. Swiss, tubs...15@15½c
do block...14@14½c
Eggs, selected...29c
do candled lots...27@28c
do storage...20@21c

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Tomatoes, Fla., crate...$3.00@3.50
do Cal...$2.75@3.00
Shallots, doz...40@50c
Carrots, doz...60@65c
Endive, bbl...$3.50@4.00
Head lettuce, bbl...$3.50@4.00
Escarolle, bbl...$3.50@4.00
Spinach, doz...50@60c
Radishes, doz...15@25c
Green beans...$3.00@3.50

In the Oil fields.

West of Mannington, Marion county, W. Va., the new wells due in the sand failed to reach that interesting point with one exception. All through the past week it was daily expected that at least four wells would be drilled into the sand. However, the week slipped by and but one of the four was drilled through the producing formation.

The important test on the Homer Beatty farm, located one and a half miles south of the producers on the C. S. Pitzer farm and owned by the Southern Oil Company and Greenlee was the only one to reach completion. It was drilled through the sand and is somewhat of a disappointment, but will make a fair producer when given a dose of the high explosive fluid. This test shows that it is not likely that the producing formation extends any great distance to the south of the gusher on the Pitzer and Hays farms.

Southwest of the Pitzer farm producers, about 3,000 feet, the South Penn Oil Company drilled its test on the J. L. Beatty farm into the sand and got the first pay, from which it made a good showing. They at once started to drill to the second pay and had the misfortune to stick the tools in the hole and are still fishing. This is an important test, touching an extension to the southwest. It is the second on the farm, the first having been drilled about five years ago and is a gasser, spraying oil at the rate of 100 barrels a month. The fact that this well sprayed oil for so many years was one of the incentives for drilling the test on the C. S. Pitzer farm, the well that opened up the pool in Bartholomew run.

It was expected that the Delmar Oil Company would complete its Nos. 3 and 4 on the J. L. and J. Hays farm during the week, but they failed to get deeper than the top of the sand. There is less importance attached to the location of these two wells than either the Homer or J. L. Beatty farm tests.

The old wells have been holding up creditably and it is expected that more gushers will be completed during the week.

In all of the deep sand districts there was but one well completed during the week that had a production above the average. During the same time there were several light producers drilled in and some proved failures in all sands. In the Littleton district, Wetzel county, the South Penn Oil Company got a very agreeable surprise when it drilled in its No. 7 on the S. Newman farm. Nothing better than an average producer was looked for at this location. When drilled into the Gordon pay the well showed for the average size of other wells in that district, but when drilled deeper into the pay the production increased rapidly and the first 24 hours it placed 430 barrels to its credit. This is by far the best producer that has been completed in that district during the past six months.

In the Pine Grove extension the Criswell Oil Company met with a surprise that was just the reverse of the South Penn experience, when it drilled in its No. 3 on the F. M. and W. S. Jackson farm. The No. 2 on this farm was completed several weeks ago and started at 150 barrels a day and is still a very fine producer. No. 3 was drilled through the sand and found no oil. In the same district the South Penn Company completed light producers on the Ellis Dulaney and B. B. Postalwait farms.

The Smithfield district supplied nothing better than light producers. The Southern Oil Company and Greenlee drilled their No. 2 on the McDougal farm through the fourth sand and found nothing but a fair gas pressure. No. 3 on the same farm has been drilled into the Big Injun and when shot will make a fair producer.

Near Salem, Harrison county, the South Penn drilled its test on the O. L. Davis farm through the Gordon and got a duster. In the Wallace district, same county, the South Penn Company has drilled its No. 2 on the R. V. Thompson farm deep into the sand and has no show for a producer. There is considerable new work starting in the Wallace district.

Near Burton, Wetzel county, three Maxon sand producers of the average size were completed. The wells in this development come in at the rate of about 30 barrels a day and this is sufficient incentive to stimulate development work. To the southwest there is some new work starting in advance of defined limits.

At Point Pleasant, Tyler county, there are very fair prospects for the development of Keener pool. Some weeks ago the Southern Oil Company drilled in a test on the Naomi Ankrom farm and got a 60-barrel producer. During the past week the same company drilled in a second test on the Omar Christian farm, and has a producer, good for 340 barrels a day. There is room for a pool in that locality and those holding leases are losing no time in going after it.

Northeast of the Wick pool, Trees, Ellsworth & Davis drilled in a second test on the B. L. Bullman farm and got a fair producer in the Big Injun. This well is more than a mile in advance of the old developments and opens up the way for new development work to the northeast.

The Yellow Creek district, Calhoun county, continues to furnish producers of a satisfactory kind. Six new wells were added to the list of producers during the week. Their size ranged from 20 to better than 100-barrel producers. This and the development on Bartholomew run, Marion county, are the most active in the state.

In Pleasants, Wood and Ritchie counties, operations have fallen off and there is no indications of a revival. All are without a new pool at the present time. The little work doing in each of these counties is confined to the old developments and interests none but the respective operators.

On the Ohio side there was a marked falling off in the number of completions. A new shallow pool in Washington county, Morgan counties there is considerable work under way in the old developments. An occasional good producer is found. The best of the week was the Pure Oil Producing Company's No. 33 on the H. H. Greenlee farm, credited with producing 150 barrels the first 24 hours drilled into the pay.

In the Hays Run district some very good wells are coming in. Athey & Co. got a 150-barrel producer at their second test on the John Beaver farm when drilled into the second pay.

The Ohio fields, like many parts of West Virginia, have suffered for want of water and the recent rains will make it possible to start work that has been long delayed on that account.

Good Producers in New Oil Field.

ALLIANCE, O., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Interest in the new oil field between this city and Homeworth on the Cleveland & Pittsburgh railroad is increasing. On the Teeters farm two wells are producing 70 barrels a day each. On the Barber farm one well is giving 130 and another 120 barrels a day. Mr. Barber has refused an offer of $50,000 for his farm. More wells are being put down.

Too Young a Murder Witness.

LANCASTER, PA., Dec. 25.—Mainly on the ground that the court erred in admitting the testimony of so young a child as Elmer Tshelman, 8 years old, counsel for Lee Furman and John O'Brien, convicted of murdering aged Samuel Ressler, toll taker, argued for a new trial.

NEW YORK WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

Statement of the Associated Banks of the City of New York, from reports to the New York clearing house, as required under section 16 of the Constitution, for week ended Saturday, December 24, 1904.

BANKS.	Loans.	Specie.	Legals.	Deposits.	Circulation.
Bank of New York, N. B. A.	$ 18,752,000	$ 2,544,000	$ 1,677,000	$ 17,522,000	$ 1,075,000
Bank of Manhattan Co.	27,355,000	6,861,000	2,879,000	42,167,000	.....
Merchants National Bank	12,968,600	3,056,100	1,326,000	16,[illegible],000	.....
Mechanics National Bank	20,783,000	3,144,000	2,246,000	21,114,000	836,400
Bank of America	28,072,200	5,067,000	2,194,200	26,950,800	.....
Phenix National Bank	3,293,000	597,000	227,000	2,815,000	49,000
National City Bank	136,355,800	35,684,500	8,246,400	161,798,200	6,288,000
Chemical National Bank	26,974,800	5,532,900	1,704,100	27,140,000	.....
Merchants Exchange N. Bank	5,018,700	1,244,300	586,800	6,597,500	230,500
Gallatin National Bank	8,734,100	1,156,000	519,900	6,653,700	284,400
Nat'l Butchers & Drovers Bk.	1,878,700	545,200	96,400	2,376,800	45,000
Mechanics and Traders Bank	4,826,600	697,000	627,000	5,508,000	.....
Greenwich Bank	3,044,800	540,200	290,700	2,915,100	.....
American Exchange Nat'l Bank	28,852,500	3,853,000	1,804,900	21,125,600	4,946,400
National Bank of Commerce	150,424,700	21,630,700	12,803,600	136,170,200	11,112,000
Mercantile National Bank	22,309,900	3,903,500	1,255,000	19,530,800	2,161,800
Pacific Bank	3,255,000	496,500	502,400	4,282,000	.....
Chatham National Bank	5,967,900	1,087,000	1,023,000	8,467,000	48,600
Peoples Bank	2,199,000	549,800	303,700	2,816,800	.....
National Bank of N. Am.	18,815,000	1,816,000	1,941,000	14,725,000	882,000
Hanover National Bank	47,522,800	12,114,300	3,252,200	58,812,000	50,000
Irving National Bank	6,944,000	1,024,000	554,000	6,214,000	243,500
Citizens Central Nat'l Bank	17,068,100	4,130,600	1,231,000	20,827,800	1,567,800
Nassau Bank	2,763,000	373,500	455,000	3,103,600	.....
Market and Fulton Nat'l Bank	7,038,800	981,400	742,300	6,918,500	45,000
Nat'l Shoe and Leather Bank	7,000,700	1,890,700	410,900	8,520,500	68,100
Corn Exchange Bank	27,642,000	4,969,600	3,643,000	33,740,000	.....
Oriental Bank	7,349,000	2,002,500	485,700	8,010,700	.....
Importers & Traders Nat. Bank	24,537,000	4,030,000	1,430,000	21,826,000	45,000
National Park Bank	67,831,000	14,742,000	6,819,000	77,597,000	2,990,000
East River National Bank	1,665,500	441,900	191,100	1,536,000	48,600
Fourth National Bank	20,150,600	3,878,700	2,243,400	23,185,300	50,000
Second National Bank	8,887,000	1,114,000	1,663,000	10,228,000	267,000
First National Bank	97,525,900	23,841,900	2,353,100	94,939,000	6,344,100
New York Nat. Exchange Bank	7,804,600	1,451,700	405,500	7,804,000	695,800
Bowery Bank	3,321,000	421,600	398,000	3,815,000	.....
N. Y. County Nat. Bank	4,467,600	999,500	455,000	5,671,500	50,000
German-American Bank	4,020,000	754,000	233,100	3,984,100	.....
Chase National Bank	44,852,400	12,062,000	1,337,000	33,850,100	50,000
Fifth Avenue Bank	9,468,200	2,477,200	252,300	10,508,500	.....
German Exchange Bank	2,458,400	223,600	795,000	4,026,800	.....
Germania Bank	2,783,200	442,100	792,700	5,472,100	.....
Lincoln National Bank	13,273,100	1,556,100	1,812,800	14,293,700	297,000
Garfield National Bank	7,699,500	1,490,800	358,300	7,892,400	37,000
Fifth National Bank	2,654,500	529,900	167,500	2,501,400	244,500
Bank of the Metropolis	8,584,600	1,534,600	590,400	10,402,000	.....
West Side Bank	3,692,000	625,000	388,000	4,186,000	.....
Seaboard National Bank	15,272,000	3,319,000	1,538,000	18,376,000	124,000
First Nat. Bank, Brooklyn	4,123,000	638,000	730,000	4,438,000	75,000
Liberty National Bank	11,095,700	2,288,800	249,000	9,684,200	973,000
N. Y. Produce Exchange Bank	5,870,400	991,700	411,800	5,788,800	.....
New Amsterdam Nat. Bank	5,754,400	1,296,000	216,800	6,701,700	100,000
Astor National Bank	4,579,000	810,000	246,000	4,488,000	359,000
Totals	$1,057,490,200	$210,405,500	$78,370,600	$1,094,115,500	$42,866,900

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SHOULD ABOLISH CHILD LABOR

Factory Inspector Delaney So Says of Next Legislature. Will Recommend Law.

PROVISIONS HE PROPOSES

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU.
HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 25.

"Child labor should be abolished in Pennsylvania, and the next legislature should provide the means for doing this by enacting a new factory inspection law classifying, consolidating and simplifying the existing laws on this subject and make them more comprehensive."

Factory Inspector Delaney made this assertion today in speaking of the efforts of the Pennsylvania child labor committee, the Mothers' congress and kindred organizations, to secure legislation in this state prohibiting the employment of children in factories.

"It is my purpose to ask the next legislature to pass a bill providing that no girl under 16 years of age shall be employed in any establishment in the manufacture of cigars or tobacco and no child under 14 years shall be employed for wages or salary in any establishment whatever, no matter what the nature of the business.

"It is my purpose to design the bill so that it shall take the place of the present factory inspection laws and provide for the appointment of 20 deputies, five of whom shall be women; a chief clerk, statistical clerk, assistant clerk and messenger at the present salaries of these employes. The bill will provide that no female or minor of either sex shall be employed in any establishment for a longer period than 60 hours a week, nor for a longer period than 10 hours a day, the working day to begin not earlier than 7 o'clock a. m. and to end not later than 6 o'clock p. m.

Males for Night Work.

"Where the material in process of manufacture requires the application of manual labor for an extended period after 6 o'clock, to prevent waste or destruction of material, male persons over 16 years of age, who have not been employed in or about the establishment between 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. should be permitted to work for not more than 10 consecutive hours in any one day after 6 o'clock in the evening. My bill will also prohibit the cleaning or oiling of machinery while in motion or to operate or otherwise have the care or custody of any elevator or lift by any person under the age of 16. The bill will also provide that all machinery must be screened and otherwise protected, and fans provided to carry away poisonous fumes.

"I propose to make it unlawful for the owner, superintendent, lessee or other person in charge of any establishment where persons are employed for wages or salary, to employ any child between the ages of 14 and 16 years, without there is first provided and placed on file in the office of the establishment where the child is employed, a certificate issued by a person duly authorized to administer oaths stating the name, age, date and place of birth of the child; its residence and the residence of its parents, guardian or custodian, and the ability of the child to read and write simple sentences in the English language and the physical ability of the child to perform the labor to be required of it.

Shall Be Child's Property.

"The certificate must also contain a complete description of the child and be first sworn to by the parent, guardian or custodian of the child, and when the certificate has been issued it shall be the property of the child, who shall be entitled to a surrender of the paper to him or her when he or she leaves the service of the employer holding the certificate. I propose to provide in my bill that in addition to the affidavit of the parent the child shall also be required to produce before the officer administering the oath a certified copy of his or her birth, baptism or circumcision or in default of such record, a certificate furnished by school authorities showing that the child has attained the age of 14 years and has attended school for 120 days during the last school year immediately preceding his 14th birthday.

"Should it appear that the child is unable to read and write," continued Capt. Delaney, "or is physically incapable to perform the labor required of it, or that the evidence as to its age is unsatisfactory, it shall be unlawful to issue a certificate to the child or to its parents, guardian or custodian.

"I believe that all persons, firms or corporations employing girls or adult women, should provide suitable seats for them and permit the use of such seats when their employes are not necessarily engaged in their active duties; that employers should provide suitable wash and dress rooms and closets for their employes, keep them in a clean and sanitary condition, properly screened and ventilated, and that the closets for the males be required to be built away from those used by the females.

Hour for the Noon Meal.

"As to the working hours: I suggest that not less than one hour be allowed for the noonday meal, but that the factory inspector be given authority to reduce the time of this meal to 45 minutes, if he finds it desirable to do so, and it is satisfactory to the employer and employes. There should be posted in every establishment a printed copy of the factory laws, a printed notice stating the number of hours for a day's work and in every room where children under 16 are employed, a list of their names with their ages and descriptions.

"Employers should be required to furnish no less than 250 cubic feet of air space for each person employed in every room and to keep all work rooms, hallways and stairways in their establishments in a clean and sanitary condition. I believe that the legislature should enact a law requiring the boilers in iron mills and factories to be inspected once a year by a competent inspector and every precaution taken to make these boilers safe, and that when an accident occurs in an establishment over which the factory inspector has supervision, that the owner or superintendent of such establishment be required to report to this department in writing within 24 hours.

"The legislature should also enact a law requiring all fire escapes, exits and fire extinguishing appliances to be located by orders of the factory inspector. I believe that violation of the bill, which I expect to offer to the legislature, be punishable by a fine of not less than $25 nor more than $500, and that all fines be turned into the state treasury."

It is believed Gov. Pennypacker will approve a bill containing such provisions.

Carson Wants to Abolish Fees.

Attorney General Carson will co-operate with Gov. Pennypacker for the passage of a bill by the next legislature abolishing the fees of his own office and that of the secretary of the commonwealth and insurance commissioner. Mr. Carson is so much impressed with the necessity for such legislation that he may formally recommend its enactment in his next biennial report, which will be issued early in the new year. Should the legislature pass a bill of this kind it would not affect the attorney general nor the present state officials receiving fees, for the state constitution prohibits the increase or decrease in the salary of any state official during his term of office.

Mr. Carson believes that the present salaries of these three officials should be increased and that all fees now received by them be turned into the state treasury for the use of the state. Under the present system the attorney general is allowed to retain $7,500 of the fees of his office, which gives him an annual compensation of $11,000. He is required to turn the balance of fees into the state treasury. The secretary of the commonwealth, whose fees reach between $25,000 and $30,000 a year, and the insurance commissioner, who receives upward of $20,000 in fees, are allowed to retain all this money for their own use.

The governor and attorney general believe that the salaries of the officials now receiving fees should be fixed at from $7,500 to $10,000 a year. Unless the governor changes his mind he will discuss this subject at length in his forthcoming biennial report to the legislature. Should Secretary Fuller and Insurance Commissioner Durham oppose the proposed legislation, as it is natural they should, the law will remain unchanged.

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TEDIOUS AND EXPENSIVE TASK

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The annual report of the Dawes commission on its work for the five civilized tribes of Indians in Indian Territory, which was made public today, is a general review of the partition and allotment of the lands of those Indians during the past six years. The commissioners say:

"The time consumed in the change from the old system to the new has been a most irksome period to the people of Indian territory, and the commission is not unmindful of the fact that to many candid observers the execution of the task has seemed to be both tedious and expensive.

"Every adult or head of a family in a total of more than 200,000 citizens and claimants was personally examined and his previous tribal record was looked up. Of this number, and in this way more than 120,000 have been examined since June 28, 1898. The proceedings were all taken down, especially as every case could be carried to Washington, on appeal, and often the record of a single case was hundreds of pages in extent. Of the above number of people, approximately 90,000 will be finally adjudged to lawfully possess tribal membership and property rights; and it can readily be seen how a less careful course of procedure would have utterly dissipated the properties of the tribes.

"As for safeguarding the occupancy and improvement rights of the people, their houses, barns, fences, and other improvements had to be located by actual surveys and with minute accuracy. Perhaps hardly a man in the territory knew the sectional divisions of his farm or the sectional location of a single one of his improvements and hence there was no source of accurate information respecting these matters except the surveys and location of improvements made by the commission.

"We have been daily witnesses of the distress of the people caused by delay, not only of the approximately 50,000 citizens of the tribes, but also of the estimated 650,000 other residents of the territory whose legitimate interests suffer from an unsettled state of affairs. It will be seven years consumed in this work if it is completed, as we expect, by July 1, 1905; and the administration of these communal estates, amounting to nearly 20,000,000 acres of land, and to perhaps hundreds of millions of dollars in actual values, will then have consumed that amount of time and have cost less than 10 cents per acre.

"Speculators not overscrupulous in their business methods have attempted in every way to influence the work with a view to personal gain. A favorite scheme has been to induce fullblood Indians to take in allotment widely separated tracts of 10 or more acres each, in order that they might not be in position to take possession of and improve their allotments. The commission has used every possible means to prevent allotments of this character.

Anniversary of a Wedding.

The fortieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Pinkerton of Bellevue will be celebrated tomorrow by a family reunion at their home, 36 Madison avenue.

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"Last spring, early, I wrote you my feelings and condition," says Mr. A. J. Vanderwater, of 823 West Division Street, Chicago, Ill., "and you advised me to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and then write how I felt. I am happy to say I am getting to feel fine. In all I have taken six bottles of the 'Discovery' and four or five vials of the little 'Pellets.' They have done me worlds of good. All my friends say: 'Vanderwater, how well you are looking.' The medicines have made the great change in me; from the slow mope of a man that could hardly crawl, tired and sick all the time, could do no work, to a man who can work, sleep, eat, and feel fine, and that tired feeling all gone away. I am very thankful that I wrote to Dr. Pierce. His 'Golden Medical Discovery' and his little liver 'Pellets' have almost made a new man of me. I feel young as I did at thirty years."

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SOLOMON'S

K. SOLOMON & COMPANY, Smithfield and Diamond Sts.

Deepest Price Cutting on All Remaining Holiday Goods Goes Into Effect on Tuesday Morning.

After-Xmas Sale of Furs at Reduced Prices

$30 for $50 Nearseal Coats

Made of selected nearseal skins, in 24-inch lengths, with large storm collars and newest shaped reveres. Puff sleeves and neat cuffs. Lined with guaranteed satin. Sold before Xmas at $50—sizes 34 to 44—Sale Price..... $30

Fur Neckpieces of squirrels, foxes, Australian minks and wolves, in light or dark shades. Boa, cluster or scarf shapes, some with chenille trimming. Values up to $10, at Sale Price of..... $5.00

Mink Scarfs, made of natural minks, in pelerine shapes. One-stripe. Medium long tabs, finished with chenille. $12 and $15 values. Also blended squirrels, either tabs or scarfs. After-Xmas Sale Price..... $8.95

Blue Wolves, in scarfs or pelerine shapes; also boas. Trimmed with natural tails. Regular $20 and $15 values at After-Xmas Sale figure of..... $10

Fine Neckwear. Blended or natural squirrels, in various new shapes. Also choice foxes, in sable or Isabella shades. Trimmed with natural tails. Fur or satin lining. Values up to $20, at Sale Price of..... $12

Ermine Furs. Genuine ermine neckpieces, in medium lengths. Trimmed with ermine tails and chenille. Lined with white satin. $18, $20 and $25, at the After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $15

Ermine Muffs, trimmed with ermine tails. Flat blocks, softly bedded and lined with white silk. Closing out $30 and $35 muffs at the After-Xmas Sale figure of..... $20

Fur Coats, made of Axsala seal, in 24-inch lengths. Collar and reveres, faced with beaver fur. Lined with satin. Newest models which sold at $65 to go at the After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $40

Baum Marten Scarfs of fine baum marten, in double scarf or tab shapes. Some lined with silk, others fur. Desirable scarfs which sold at $35 and $50. Unrestricted choice at the After-Xmas Sale figure of. $25

$135 for $200 Persian Lamb Coats

Made of selected Persian lambskins, with medium lustre curls. Guaranteed Leipzig dye. Collar and cuffs faced with baum marten. Lined throughout with brocaded silk. 22 and 24-inch lengths. Sold at $165 and $200. Sale Price..... $135

After-Xmas Sale of Coats, Suits and Skirts

$10 for $15 to $20 Coats

Choice of several hundred Tourist coats, in 42-inch lengths, with loose backs, belts, bishop sleeves and neat cuffs. Collarless or with notch collars. Made of tan coverts, black or colored kerseys, grey or brown mixtures and black cheviots. $15, $18 and $20 garments, at Sale Price of..... $10

$10 for Tailored Suits, valued $20. Plain or mixed materials, in Eton, blouse or fitted coat styles. Silk lined. Pleated skirts, in walking lengths. Choice of wanted colors at the After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $10

$15 for Tailored Suits, valued $30. Plain or mixed materials, in colors and black. Fancily trimmed or plainly tailored. Best of silk linings. Walking skirts. $25 and $30 garments at the After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $15

$2.95 for Walking Skirts, valued $4.95. Made of mixtures, in various shades. Walking lengths, trimmed with straps. Neatly tailored to fit women and misses. After-Xmas Sale Price..... $2.95

$3.95 for $6 Walking Skirts. Plain materials or mixtures, in strapped, pleated or kilted effects. All sizes, to go at After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $3.95

$7.95 for $10 and $12 Walking Skirts. Mixtures and plain cheviots, strapped or pleated. Perfect-fitting. Sale Price..... $7.95

$7.50 for Coats, Valued $12

Made of crushed plush, in 30-inch lengths, with flat stitched cloth collars, neat cuffs and bishop sleeves. Trimmed with braids. Neatly tapered to waist. Satin lined. As there are just a few of these garments remaining we would advise early purchasing. Always $12, choice at After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $7.50

After-Xmas Sale Boys' Wear---Men's House Coats

99c for Children's Reefers.
Made of oxford grey cheviots, finished with velvet collars and trimmed with brass buttons. Ages 3 to 8 years. Very special offering at..... 99c

$1.98 for Children's $3 Overcoats.
All-wool plain oxford grey cheviots, in long half-belted styles. Finished with velvet collars and emblems on sleeves. Ages 2½ to 8. Regular $3.48 and $3 garments at Sale figure of..... $1.98

$2.48 for Boys' $3.90 Overcoats.
Plain oxford grey cheviots, in ages 9 to 15 years. Long half-belted styles, finished with velvet collar. Were $3.90. After-Xmas Sale Price..... $2.48

Boys' Knee Pants, ages 4 to 15, special 33c.

$1.67 for Boys' $3.00 Suits.
Double-breasted styles, made of cheviots and cassimeres, in correct colorings. Ages 8 to 15. Pants with patent waistbands and taped seams. $3 values at Sale Price of..... $1.67

$2.19 for Russian Blouse Suits.
All-wool plain or fancy cheviots, in the correct colorings. Ages 2½ to 5 years. For this special After-Xmas Sale we offer choice at..... $2.19

$3.89 for Boys' $5.50 Suits.
All-wool brown or grey mixed cheviots, in ages 8 to 16. Pants have patent waistbands and taped seams. Double-breasted styles, with extra pants and cap to match. $5.50 garments to go at the attractive Sale Price..... $3.89

$4.75 for Young Men's Suits.
All-wool cheviots and cassimeres, in single-breasted styles. Ages 14 to 19. Closing out regular $6.50 and $7.50 garments at the Sale Price of..... $4.75

$6.50 for Young Men's Overcoats.
Plain oxford grey cheviots, in long half-belted styles. Ages 16 to 19 years. For this After-Xmas Sale we have cut the prices on these desirable garments to..... $6.50

$1.09 for Young Men's Pants.
Here is an opportunity not to be missed by economically-minded persons. For this Tuesday we present long trousers, made of all-wool materials, in wanted shades. Sizes 28 to 32 inseam. Choice at the Sale figure of..... $1.09

All House Coats 1/3 Off.

We want to close out the balance of our men's house coats, smoking jackets and lounging robes at once and are going to offer a sweeping reduction of 1-3 off regular marked price on every one of these garments in stock. The house coats are in all the latest effects of velours, velvets, billiard cloths, cheviots and matelasse cloths. Made and trimmed in perfect fashion. The lounging robes are long, loose-fitting garments of warm and comfortable materials. Take your choice and pay 1-3 less than the marked prices, thus:

$10 House Coats at $6.67.
$7.50 House Coats at $5.00.
$5.00 House Coats at $3.33.

After-Xmas Sale of Jewelry Averaging ½ Price

98c for $2.75 Toilet Sets.
Pretty enameled Toilet Sets, consisting of brush, comb and mirror. Closing out values up to $2.75, at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, per set..... 98c

$1.98 for $5 Toilet Sets.
Fancy Toilet Sets—brush, comb and mirror—that sold as high as $5, at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, per set..... $1.98

Fancy Ash Trays.
Of all kinds that regularly brought 50c and 75c, placed on sale at the After-Xmas Sale figure of, each..... 25c

50c for $1 Brooches.
Beautiful Rhinestone Brooches that never sold under $1, at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, each..... 50c

98c for $3 Brooches.
Gold filled Brooches that brought up to $3, special After-Xmas Sale Price, each..... 98c

98c for $2.50 and $3 Fruit Dishes.
Quadruple-plated silver Fruit Dishes which sold before Xmas at $2.50 and even $3, to go at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, each..... 98c

50c for $1 Silverware.
Quadruple-plated Silver Berry Spoon and Butter Knife, in lined box, which should bring $1, at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, per set..... 50c

98c for $3 Jewel Boxes.
Fancy gold and silver-plated Jewel Boxes that sold up to $3, placed on sale at the After-Xmas Sale figure of..... 98c

50c for $1.50 Cuff Links.
Gold-filled Cuff Links that brought up to $1.50, at the special After-Xmas Sale figure of, per set..... 50c

50c for Men's $1.50 Fobs.
Fancy gold-filled Watch Fobs that should bring up to $1.50, to go at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, each..... 50c

Balance of Watches at Half

Our entire line of gold, silver and gold-filled Watches for women and men is to be closed out at exactly half the marked prices. This comprises everything in our watch department—nothing reserved—all with best movements and the latest designs and cases. Take your choice and pay just ½ Regular Prices.

98c for $2 Clocks.
Fancy Gilt Clocks which sold up to $2, to go at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, each..... 98c

$1.98 for $5 Rings.
Women's and children's solid Gold Rings, with fancy settings, that brought up to $5, at Sale Price of..... $1.98

$1.98 for Men's $5 Rings.
Solid Gold Rings, with different styles of settings. Values up to $5, at After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $1.98

Leather and Art Goods

49c for 98c Hand Bags.
Women's genuine leather Hand Bags, with braided or strap handles and purse. Many of these brought 98c, choice at Sale Price of, each..... 49c

49c for $1 Boxes.
Fancy hand-painted Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, in different styles and colors. Would be cheap at $1. After-Xmas Sale Price, each..... 49c

98c for $3 Pin Cushions.
Hand-painted Pin Cushions, trimmed with lace. Cushions which sold up to $3, at the After-Xmas Sale Price of, each..... 98c

$1.98 for $5 Centerpieces.
Hand-made Teneriffe Centerpieces that sold up to $5, to go at the After-Xmas sale figure of..... $1.98

After-Xmas Sale of Men's Wearables and Umbrellas

$1.39 for Men's $2.50 Jackets.
Just about 100 men's fine Cardigan jackets which sold at $2 and $2.50 remaining—hence we offer unrestricted choice at..... $1.39

19c for Men's 50c Neckwear.
300 dozen silk four-in-hand scarfs, in many beautiful effects. Should bring every cent of 50c, After-Xmas Sale Price, each..... 19c

23c for Boys' 50c Underwear.
Warm winter-weight underwear, slightly soiled, which always sold at 39c and many 50c. Exceptionally well finished garments to go at the Sale Price of.. 23c

$1.00 for Men's $3.00 Suspenders.
Men's fancy suspenders, in pretty boxes. Made of the very finest elastics. Sold before Xmas at $2.50 and $3. All to go at the Sale Price of..... $1.00

98c for Boys' Sweaters.
Wool sweaters, in pretty colorings, which sold as high at $2, placed on sale at the atractive price of, each..... 98c

$3.98 for Men's $7.00 Bath Robes.
Turkish and blanket bath robes that were good values at $6 and even $7, to be closed out at the special After-Xmas Sale figure of..... $3.98

$5.98 for Men's $12.00 Bath Robes.
All-wool blanket bath robes, as well as fine imported Terry cloths, in every wanted coloring and pattern. $10 and $12 garments at the Sale Price of.. $5.98

$1.50 for Regular $3.00 Umbrellas.
Women's and men's umbrellas, with good coverings and Paragon frames. Silver or pearl trimmed handles. $3 values at Sale Price of..... $1.50

$1.98 for Umbrellas, values $3.50.
A large assortment of the most desirable handles. Good quality covering. $3.50 umbrellas at the After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $1.98

$2.98 for $5.00 Umbrellas.
Men's and women's umbrellas, in all the wanted styles. Covered with twill silk and soft taffetas. Either natural wood or horn handles, silver and gold trimmed. Sale Price..... $2.98

$3.50 for $6.00 Umbrellas.
Best of mountings and coverings. Either women's or men's umbrellas which sold at $6, to go at the After-Xmas Sale Price of..... $3.50

$4.98 for $8.00 Umbrellas.
An attractive showing of these fine umbrellas, with best coverings and latest handles. Were never intended to sell for less than $8. Sale Price... $4.98

After-Xmas Sale of Entire Slipper Stock at ⅓ Off

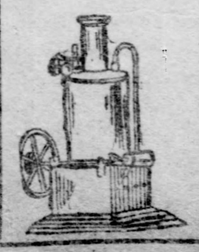
Every men's, women's or children's slipper which remains in our stock will go on sale tomorrow at 1-3 off the marked price. This is a remarkable offering, when it is remembered that just before Xmas we concluded a large purchase of slippers and placed them on sale away below the usual prices—now you can buy at 1-3 off the former low figures—making slipper bargains unheard of.

Here is a Partial Schedule of the Former Figures and the Sale Prices

Men's $2.50 Cavalier Slippers, vici kid..... $1.66
Men's $1.50 Opera Slippers, fine kid..... $1.00
Women's $1.50 Princess Slippers, fur trimmed. $1.00
Women's $1.00 Juliet Slippers, fur trimmed..... 67c
Women's 69c Velvet Slippers, now at..... 46c
Children's 59c Velvet Slippers, now at..... 40c
Misses' 75c Juliet Slippers, fur trimmed..... 50c
Children's 69c Juliet Slippers, fur trimmed..... 46c

After-Xmas Reductions on Toys of ½ Off

A few toys and dolls which remain in our basement section are to be closed out at a sweeping reduction of ½ off the marked prices. It is the unswerving rule of this house never to carry over toys from one season to another—our toy section is only a holiday institution—the space it now occupies must be given over to other merchandise at once—hence this radical price cutting. Take your choice of any toy, doll or game in stock and pay just ½ the marked price which it sold at before Xmas—but act quickly, as there are not many left and the choice ones will be snapped up promptly.



A Few Examples at Random of the Way This Half-Price Sale Affects Our Stock

$2 Rocking Horses—½ price—$1.01.
$3 Magic Lanterns—½ price—$1.59.
Iron Toys, 50c to $2—all ½ price.
$5 Velocipedes—½ price—$2.59.
Dolls from 50c to $10—all ½ price.
$4 Doll Go-Carts—½ price—$2.00.
All Games at just ½ marked price.
$5 Tricycles at ½ price—$2.50.
$4 Desks at ½ price—$2.00.